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England routs Iran 6-2 in its opener

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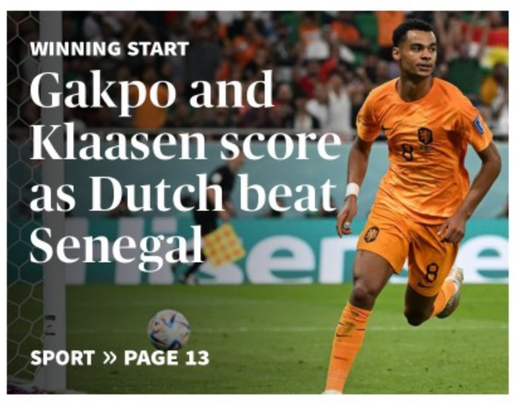

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Mangaluru blast accused influenced by global terror outfit, say Karnataka Police

The Hindu Bureau
MANGALURU/BENGALURU

Mohammed Shariq, 24, the accused in the Mangaluru autorickshaw blast case, was "influenced by a terror organisation that has a global presence", Alok Kumar, Additional Director-General of Police (Law and Order), Karnataka, said at a press conference in Mangaluru on Monday.

Mr. Kumar named Arafat Ali, now holed up in Dubai, as Shariq's "immediate handler". Ali was, in turn, handled by Abdul Matheen Taha, a wanted terror accused in Islamic State (IS) offshoot Al Hind ISIS Bengaluru module case. The module based in Karnataka and Tamil Nadu had allegedly aimed to create an "IS province" in the jungles of South India, he said. The National Investigation Agency has put Taha on the most wanted list and is expected to take over investigation into the blast.

Hunt for clues: Senior police officers inspect materials allegedly seized from the house of the blast accused. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Photo recovered

The Karnataka Police said they recovered a photo from Shariq's phone in which he was seen posing with a pressure cooker that seemed rigged with a circuit. "We suspect he rigged the improvised explosive device [IED] in Mysuru on November 19, took a photograph and then left with it on a bus to Mangaluru. The photograph seems to be inspired by the IS," a senior police official said.

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Agitating lawyers meet CJI; solution to stir soon

CJI, two judges agree to examine their 'grievances' over the transfers of Justices Nikhil Kariel and Abhishek Reddy; they insist that the lawyers return to work in Telangana, Gujarat High Courts

Krishnadas Rajagopal
NEW DELHI

Chief Justice of India D.Y. Chandrachud and two Supreme Court judges met lawyers of the Gujarat and Telangana High Courts on Monday over the Collegium's proposed transfer of Justices Nikhil Kariel and A. Abhishek Reddy, agreeing to "examine" their grievances while "strongly conveying" that they have to get back to work.

The Chief Justice, accompanied by Collegium members Justices Sanjay Kishan Kaul and M.R. Shah, met the Gujarat lawyers' delegation first during lunch break at 1.30 p.m. for half an hour.

Amicable settlement

The Chief Justice of India and two top judges agree to 'examine' the grievances of lawyers of Gujarat and Telangana High Courts, while "strongly conveying" that they have to get back to work

POST-MEETING RESOLVE:

- **Gujarat HC lawyers' delegation:** The CJI assured the representatives of the Bar that the issues raised would be duly examined but strongly conveyed that since such assurance has been given, the advocates should not abstain from work
- **Telangana HC lawyers' delegation:** We were assured by the CJI that he would examine the transfer issue in the light of our representation. The court work will resume from tomorrow

The Telangana group of lawyers met them in the evening, after court hours.

"The Chief Justice assured us he will examine our grievances and sentiments. The CJI and Justice Kaul asked us to convey to our Bar to call off the strike," advocate Hardik D. Brahmbhatt, secretary of the Gujarat High Court Advocates' Association and a member of the delegation.

A statement released by the Gujarat delegation said a detailed representation was forwarded to the CJI on November 20. Supporting papers and documents were submitted to the office of CJI after the meeting for his consideration.

Advocate Sri Jalli Narendar, secretary of the Telangana High Court Advocates Association, who had flown to the national capital from Telangana along with a delegation four days ago, had a similar account of the meeting. "The CJI said they will examine our representation and take an appropriate decision," he shared.

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Temperature drops to 13.9 degrees Celsius

BENGALURU
Cold spell continues in Bengaluru as the second coldest morning of November in over 10 years was recorded on Monday, when the mercury dropped to 13.9 degrees Celsius. » Page 2

Assembly polls: 1,450 aspirants seek Cong. ticket

BENGALURU
A total of 1,450 candidates of the Opposition Congress submitted filled applications seeking ticket to contest the 2023 Karnataka Legislative Assembly elections scheduled to be held next year. » Page 4

Java jolted

In the aftermath: Survivors being treated outside a hospital at Cianjur in West Java of Indonesia, after a strong earthquake shook the country's main island on Monday, damaging dozens of buildings and claiming at least 162 lives. AP (REPORT ON PAGE 11)

SC declines to stay Kerala High Court's revocation of V-C's appointment

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Monday declined to stay a Kerala High Court decision to revoke the appointment of Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies (KUFOS) Vice-Chancellor K. Riji John.

A Bench led by Chief Justice of India (CJI) D.Y. Chandrachud said Dr. John had demitted office and could not be reinstated for now.

Listing the case for after three weeks, the court said it was up to the Chancellor to "make arrangements for an Acting Vice-Chancellor". The Bench said any action taken in the interim would "abide" by the final decision of the court in Dr. John's appeal.

"Let us hear the matter first, there will not be any confusion," CJI Chandrachud tried to quell apprehensions.

The State of Kerala, represented by senior advocate K.K. Venugopal and advocate Nishe Rajen Shonker, urged the court to stay the High Court order, saying Dr. John was a highly qualified person and it was humiliating for him to demit office in the middle of a five-year term.

Senior advocate Jaideep Gupta, for Dr. John, said the university came within the ambit of the Kerala Fisheries Act, a State legislation, and not the University Grants Commission (UGC) Regulations. He pointed to Entry 14 of the State List, which specifically deals with "agricultural education and research".

He said Entry 66 of the Central List dealing with "coordination and determination of standards in institutions for higher education or research and scientific and technical institutions" was only general in nature.

Fisheries, he said, has been held to be part of agricultural activity and studies by Supreme Court judgments.

"Our contention first and foremost is that the Kerala Fisheries Act comes under Entry 14. If so, the UGC Act will have no say in an agricultural university," Mr. Gupta argued.

Mr. Venugopal, supporting Dr. John, said when there was a specific entry on the State List on "agriculture", a general entry in the Central List did not apply.

"The entirety of the procedures with regard to appointment of Vice-Chancellor is governed by the Kerala Fisheries Act... To say that the State legislation has no power is wholly erroneous," Mr. Venugopal contended.

EC sole authority to probe allegations of electoral irregularities, says Meena

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

A day after Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai announced a probe starting from 2013 into the alleged theft of voter data by an NGO, Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) of Karnataka Manoj Kumar Meena on Monday clarified that in case of any allegation or irregularity in electoral matters, the Election Commission (EC) was the sole authority to conduct an inquiry.

"No government can order any probe into such matters," he said.

Following allegations by the Congress that voter data, illegally gathered by Chilume Educational Cultural and Rural Development Trust, had been used by the ruling party to tamper with electoral rolls, Mr. Bommai had announced a probe encompassing the Congress regime as well, starting from 2013.

In his statement, Mr. Meena clarified that the Central and State governments had no role to play in the preparation, maintenance of the electoral roll and conduct of elections, and therefore in case of any allegation, only the EC could probe them. He further said that the general public and media should ignore any statements to the contrary.

On caste, communities

In a separate statement, Mr. Meena said that the question of deletion of voters based on caste and community from the electoral roll did not arise. The CEO's statement followed the Congress's allegation that names of minorities and some other communities were deleted based on the data provided by Chilume.

"Electoral rolls do not contain any information related to caste/religion of voters and hence the question of deletion of names based on caste/community from the electoral rolls does not arise," Mr. Meena said in a statement. Only names of people who were dead or those who had moved to other places were deleted by following due process of law, he said.

Modi questions Congress on development, Rahul hits back with accusations over Morbi

Mahesh Langa
AHMEDABAD

With less than 10 days remaining for the first phase of the Assembly election in Gujarat, campaigning is heating up in the State.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday attacked the Congress for allowing Narmada Bachao Andolan activist Medha Patkar to join the party's Bharat Jodo Yatra, while Congress leader Rahul Gandhi accused the BJP of allowing those responsible for the Morbi bridge collapse escape punishment.

Addressing rallies in Saurashtra and south Gujarat, Mr. Modi dared the Congress to "talk about development and performance" rather than trying to show him his *aukat* (social status). He said the Bharat Jodo Yatra was a "march to grab power".

Heavyweight effort: Narendra Modi and Rahul Gandhi add heft to their respective party's campaign in Gujarat. PTI

"You have called me low caste, *maut ka saudagar* and a worm and now you want to show me my *aukat*. I am a servant of people coming from an ordinary family," Mr. Modi said, referring to the past comments by Congress leaders. "Talk about Gujarat and development and performance. I agree that you are royal family, while I am from ordinary family," he said.

Addressing a rally in Surat rural, Mr. Gandhi accused the ruling party in the State of not taking action against the real culprits behind the suspension bridge collapse in Morbi town in October that left 141 people dead.

The Congress leader also accused the BJP of drawing up plans to displace adivasis (tribals) by handing over forests to industrialists.

Mr. Gandhi, who has taken a break from the Bharat Jodo Yatra to campaign in the State, said, "They (BJP) want you to live in the jungles but do not stop there. After that, they start taking away the jungles from you. If it continues like this, then in another five to 10 years, all the jungles will be in the hands of two or three industrialists, and you will have no place to live, get no education, health and job."

In rallies in Rajkot and south Gujarat, Mr. Gandhi spoke about the rural employment guarantee law enacted by the UPA government, forest rights law and right to food and how the Congress government had ushered in a rights-based approach in governance.

"Let me tell you that they worked to weaken important legislations like the PESA (Panchayat Extension to Scheduled Areas Act), the Land Acquisition Act and the Forest Rights Act, among others, after coming to power," Mr. Gandhi pointed out.

The Prime Minister in his poll speeches spoke about the benefits Narmada water has brought to the parched districts of Saurashtra.

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NEWS IN NUMBERS

Tamil Nadu's Jagadeesan breaks world record

277 The number of runs scored by Tamil Nadu batter Narayan Jagadeesan, creating a world record for the highest-ever individual score in men's List A cricket in the Vijay Hazare Trophy. Tamil Nadu became the first team to breach the 500 mark in List A cricket before winning the match by 435 runs, making it the biggest victory margin at this level. PTI

The coal Ministry leads the National Monetisation Pipeline

33,422 In ₹ crore, the worth of assets that the government has monetised under the National Monetisation Pipeline in 2022-23 so far, with the coal Ministry leading the list by raising ₹17,000 crore. There is likely to be a shortfall of ₹38,243 crore in the overall asset monetisation target of ₹1,62,422 crore in 2022-23. PTI

Bharti Airtel hikes the price of minimum monthly recharge plan

57 The percentage by which Bharti Airtel has increased the price of its minimum recharge plan for 28 days to ₹155 in Haryana and Odisha, according to the company's website. "Bharti has taken the industry's first step in implementing a tariff hike in the current market situation. We expect it to now wait for a competitive reaction," a report by ICICI Securities said. PTI

PM to distribute 71,000 appointment letters in Rozgar Mela

71,000 The number of appointment letters Prime Minister Narendra Modi will distribute to new recruits today as part of the government's 'Rozgar Mela.' A significant number of posts are being filled by the Ministry of Home Affairs in various Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF). PTI

World's longest-ruling leader extends his rule in tiny African state

43 Years for which President Teodoro Obiang has ruled Equatorial Guinea and has now extended his rule by staging a vote on Sunday. "What you sow is what you reap," said Obiang, 80, the world's longest-ruling leader who has regularly won more than 90% of the vote in elections conducted over the course of five terms since he seized power in a coup in 1979. Reuters

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How different is the new data protection Bill?

Has the right to portability and right to be forgotten been removed from the latest draft of the Digital Personal Data Protection Bill, 2022? Has the Central government been given more rule making power? What are the duties imposed on data principals?

EXPLAINER

Trishee Goyal

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The story so far:

The latest draft of the data protection law – the Digital Personal Data Protection Bill, 2022 (DPDP Bill, 2022) – has now been made open for public comments. This article deals with various themes within the Bill including data localisation requirements, whether children are considered as data principals, the regulatory framework of the Bill and the penalties it imposes.

What are some of the data protection rights that the Bill is missing?

The DPDP Bill, 2022 misses out on two main rights for data principals. The first is the right of data portability. The right to data portability allowed the data principal to receive in a structured format all the personal data they had provided to the data fiduciary and data that the data fiduciary generated on the data principal while processing for provisioning of its services. This empowered data principals by allowing them to choose between different platforms and enhanced competition between data fiduciaries to increase consumer welfare. For example, if the data principal was not satisfied with the social media platform they were currently using, they could request for porting of their data to another social media platform and avail of its services without having to provide all their personal data again. The DPDP Bill, 2022 does not provide for this right.

The second right foregone is the right to be forgotten. While not a right per se, the right to be forgotten allows the data principal to ask the data fiduciary to stop the continuing disclosure of their personal data. This has to be balanced with the right to freedom of speech and expression and the right to information for all other individuals. The DPDP Bill, 2022 subsumes this right under the right to erasure. This conflation between the general right to erasure with the right to be forgotten which is specific to disclosure of personal data compromises on the right to freedom of speech and expression of other individuals.

How does the draft Bill treat the personal data processing of children?

With regard to the personal data processing of children, the DPDP Bill, 2022 carries forward the approach of its previous iterations. A major issue that remains is that the age of digital consent, which is the age at which an individual can consent to their personal data being processed, continues to be 18. This means that parental/guardian consent would be required to process the personal data of children and adolescents below the age of 18 years. In effect, this would mean parental consent would be required every time they want to access the internet. This becomes an issue for three reasons. First, the high threshold of 18 years negates evolving capacity as it does not recognise that the consent of a toddler is different from that of a teenager. Second, it would result in unequal access to the internet and, finally, requiring consent from parents would hamper autonomous development of children since parents may not want them to be exposed to viewpoints contradictory to their own. Such restrictions are in violation of India's obligations under the Convention on Rights of the Child.

What changes have been made to data localisation requirements?

One of the most emphatic departures of the DPDP Bill, 2022 from the Personal Data Protection (PDP) Bill 2019, has been in the context of cross border data flows. The PDP Bill, 2019 provided for a three-tiered categorisation based on which personal data could be moved across borders. While the government was interested in restricting cross border data flows of sensitive personal data and critical personal data to allow for ease of lawful access and to maintain "digital sovereignty", these data localisation requirements were severely contested by the industry as they would lead to significant increase in compliance and operational costs in terms of higher data storage charges and security risks.

The DPDP Bill, 2022 aims to strike a balance between these concerns by allowing for cross border data flow to "countries and territories" notified by the Central government. However, the draft legislation fails to provide any guidance or criteria for the consideration of the Union government while making this notification. The criteria is left to the Central government itself to be specified under its rule making power.

What is the design of the regulatory framework proposed under the Bill?

In comparison to the regulatory framework conceptualised under the previous iterations of the draft law, where the proposed regulator, the Data Protection Authority, was enshrined with significant powers of regulation making, enforcement and adjudication, the current draft considerably reduces the scope of the proposed Data Protection Board of India (DPB). Out of the 22 clauses in the DPDP Bill, the Central government has been provided with rule making power in around 14 clauses.

This becomes problematic for several reasons. First, the government forms one of the largest data fiduciaries in the country. It processes personal data of millions of Indians for provisioning of services and benefits, issuance of permits, licences and official IDs and for law enforcement generally. As such, it becomes important the agency making the rules should be at an arm's length from the government so as to ensure impartial protection of the interests of data principals. Vesting these powers with the Union government which would itself be subject to these rules creates conflict of interest. For example, the government has the power to specify "fair and reasonable" purposes for which it can process personal data without consent.

Similarly, it can make rules on data protection obligations of data breach, data protection impact assessments, data audits, information that can be requested from a data fiduciary which the government will itself be subject to in its capacity as a data fiduciary. Moreover, the DPDP Bill, 2022 fails to provide adequate legislative guidance for framing these rules. This leads to the concern of excessive delegation of legislation.

Lastly, the Central government exercises greater control over the proposed DPB because it will appoint members of the DPB, set out the terms and conditions of appointment and lay out the functions that the DPB will perform.

What is the framework for state based processing of personal data?

Carrying forward the approach from the PDP Bill, 2019, the current Bill also provides considerable exemptions to the state's processing of personal data. First, as stated above, the Union government has the power to specify "fair and reasonable" purposes for which it can process personal data without consent. Second, an exemption from most data protection obligations is provided if the processing is undertaken "in the interests of prevention, detection, investigation of *any* offence or any other contravention of any *law*" This may be in violation of the "necessity and proportionality" test laid down by the Supreme Court in *Puttaswamy vs Union of India*. A complete exemption can be provided for when personal data is being processed "in the interests of sovereignty and integrity of India, security of the State, friendly relations with foreign States, maintenance of public order or preventing incitement to any cognizable offence relating to any of these". Lastly, and this is an addition to the PDP Bill, 2019, the Union government can now notify exemption to certain data fiduciaries based on just the "volume and nature of personal data" processed, irrespective of the purpose for which it is being processed.

Moreover, storage limitation does not apply to government agencies which means they can continue to retain personal data for an unlimited period of time even when the purpose of processing ceases to exist and there is no legal requirement to store the data.

What is the nature of penalties provided for in the Bill?

The DPDP Bill, 2022 marks a number of departures from the PDP Bill, 2019 in the way it conceptualises penalties. First, the quantum of penalties that can be imposed, with the cap being placed at ₹500 crore, are of a much higher magnitude than provided for under the PDP Bill, 2019. Second, unlike the PDP Bill, 2019 the DPDP Bill, 2022 creates no offences. Third, in a move that can be seen as disempowering the data principals, the DPDP Bill, 2022 does not allow them to seek compensation from data fiduciaries for harms they have suffered due to unlawful processing. Fourth, in a very unusual move and perhaps the only one of its kind among data protection legislations, the DPDP Bill, 2022 places duties on data principals. If they are non-compliant, it could lead to penalties upto ₹10,000. Some of these duties include being in compliance with the "provision of *all* applicable laws" when exercising rights and not registering "false or frivolous" complaints with the data fiduciary or the DPB. Such provisions may hinder data principles from exercising their rights for fear of penalties.

The writer is a research fellow at the Centre for Applied Law and Technology Research, Vidhi Centre for legal policy

(This is the second of a two-part series on the draft Digital Personal Data Protection Bill, 2022)

You can read the first part of the two-part series on the Digital Personal Data Protection Bill here bit.ly/dpdpbill22

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- In a very unusual move and perhaps the only one of its kind among data protection legislations, the DPDP Bill, 2022 places duties on data principals. If they are non-compliant, it could lead to penalties upto ₹10,000.

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Kodagu Institute of Medical Sciences, Madikeri invites e-tender notification in two Tender document systems from eligible Tenderers through e-procurement portal. Government of Karnataka, for the implementation of **Ayushman Bharath - Arogya Karnataka Scheme,** at Teaching Hospital, KOIMS, Madikeri. The Tenderers can download the documents from **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** from **20.11.2022** at **10.00 AM,** and last date for up load of tender is **19.12.202**2, at **5.00 PM** with **EMD,** for more information Please contact under signed or from website - https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in

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SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION Tender Notification No. 12/2022-23 CAll-2 Dated: 15.11.2022.

On behalf of the Managing Director Cauvery Neeravari Nigama Limited, Bengaluru, the Executive Engineer CNNL, No.1 HRBHLC Division, Gorur invites tenders on ITEM RATE basis from the contractors for works for Genaral category. The tenderers are advised to note the minimum qualification criteria specified. The maximum approximate amount put to tender Rs 81.18 Lakhs Stipulated period of completion: 6 months The contractors can request for e-tendering documents from 19/11/2022 11.00 Am in the web site http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in link e-tender document on payment (non-refundable) for work towards the transaction fee (As per E-portal). While applying the contactors can pay the transaction fee in the e-procurement portal using payment modes - I Credit card/Direct Debit/National electronic fund transfer (NEFT)/over the counter (OTC) up to 29-11-2022 up to 17th hour. Tender will be opened in the office of the Executive, Engineer, No. 1, HRBHLC Division, Gorur on 30-11-2022.

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Date: November 21, 2022

Sealed tenders are invited for Construction of Approach Road from ladies hostel building to Dr. VKRV Rao Hostel building at ISEC from the reputed Bengaluru based contractors having adequate experience in such works. Interested agencies may collect the tender document by paying Rs.1000/- by cash / DD / Pay Order of any scheduled bank drawn in facour of **"The Registrar, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru"**, from Institute at the above address. Pre-bid meeting will be held on **November 28, 2022** at **12:00 p.m.** Last Date for submission of sealed tender: **December 20, 2022.** Tenders will be opened on **December 23, 2022** at **03:30 p.m.** in the Committee Room. Interested Tenderers may be present while opening the tenders.

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Tender upload date	: 19-11-2022
Last date for submission of tender	: 29-11-2022 upto 16.00 hours
Date and Time of opening of technical Bid	: 01-12-2022 at after 16.00 hours

Financial bid will open after approval of technical bid

More information can be had from the website **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** & any other details required can be obtained from office of the under signed during office hours.

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KPTCL invites bids for **Repairs and Maintenance and Capital of Civil Engineering works coming under the jurisdiction of Superintending Engineer (Elecl), Transmission (W&M) Circle, KPTCL, Bagalkot.** The detailed notification regarding the works called through brief tender notification will be displayed on the office Notice Board from the office of the undersigned on or after **10.00 am. on 22.11.2022.** Other details can be obtained from the office during the office hours.

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The Executive Engineer (MPED-C) invites Quotations from the reputed Agencies / Suppliers / Distributors / Contractors for the work of **"Providing and Installation of Live Sound Reinforcement System, Lighting and Lighting Bar and Cyclroma Screen Revolve System for Townhall Auditorium".** Interested Suppliers/Agencies are requested to submit/upload their quotation through e-procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** on or before **28.11.2022 at 5.30 p.m.** Quotations are opened on **29.11.2022 at 5.30 p.m.** Any other information can be had from the office of the undersigned during office hours or Mobile No.: 9986306614.

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NMDC Limited

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It is hereby informed to the public that, State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority – Karnataka (constituted by MOEFCC, GoI under section 3(3) of E.P. Act, 1986 has accorded **"Environmental Clearance"** on 16/11/2022 to Chief General Manager, NMDC Limited (A Government of India Enterprise), Donimalai, Ballari District, Karnataka for construction of "Proposed Multi storied Residential Towers, shopping complex in Survey No.72/1 & 75 in Donimalai Township of NMDC at Narasingapur village, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District, Karnataka" in accordance with the provisions of EIA Notification, 2006 and subsequent amendments subject to strict compliance of terms and conditions of Environmental clearance.

The copy of the Environment Clearance letter issued by SEIAA on 16/11/2022 to NMDC for proposed Residential Towers with EC identification no: EC22B038KA142207 and File No: SEIAA 44 CON 2022 is available in the office of State Environment Impact Assessment Authority, M.S. Building, Bangalore, Karnataka 560001 as well as Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Ballari. It can also be downloaded from MOEF&CC website at **www.parivesh.nic.in** under Karnataka state portal and NMDC website at **www.nmdc.co.in**.

Chief General Manager
NMDC Limited
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Short term Tender Notification No.24/2022-23, Dated: 19.11-2022(Through e-procurement portal only)

The Executive Engineer, CNNL., Yagachi Project Division, Belur-573115 Hassan Dist., invited Short term Tender Notification through e- procurement only on behalf of the Managing Director, CNNL, Bangalore from the eligible contractors of PWD Class-III & above of any State/Central Government/Public Sector organization in Two cover system on the basis of KW-3 conditions. 1) Maximum Estimate cost: Rs. 99.98 Lakhs, 2) Minimum Estimate cost Rs. 55.00 Lakhs. 3) Maximum EMD amount Rs.1.68 Lakhs. 4) Minimum EMD amount Rs.0.92 Lakhs 5) Number of Works: 11 (Eleven) 6) The contractor can have access e-tender documents from Date:-29-11-2022 from 4.00 PM to Date:-07-12-2022 at 4.00 pm. through website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in on payment (Non Refundable) of transaction fees as fixed by e -portal, 7) Opening of Technical bid on Date:- 09-12-2022 at 11.00 am onwards. (if possible) 8) Opening of Financial bid on Date:- After the Approval of Technical Bid. 9) Time limit :09 months (Including monsoon). For further information etc., contact in the undersigned office during working hours or through website www.eproc. karnataka.gov.in (Department).

Sd/-Executive Engineer, CNNL., Yagachi Project Division, Belur
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I AM Reba Dhar w/o Lt. Karun Kanti Dhar d/o Lt Himangshu sengupta residing at 218/1, Anjangarh, PO Shyamnagar, PS Jagaddal, Dist North 24 Parganas PIN 743127 by the affidavit as first class judicial magistrate at barrackpore court date 17/11/2022 that Reba Dhar w/o Lt Karun Kanti Dhar and Reba Sengupta d/o Lt Himangshu sengupta is same and one identical person and my DOB is 19/10/1954 instead of 03/03/1956 after marriage i am known and called as Reba Dhar w/o Lt Karun Kanti Dhar is everywhere and every place.

I, GAYATHRI S, R/o Add: #14, 5th Cross, Nagamma Nagar, Gowthamapuram, Ulsoor, Bangalore-560008 have changed my name to Mariya Dafney vide affidavit dt: 16.11.2022 sworn before Notary Gangaraju.B.N, B'lore.

I, RAVUNNIARATH SUDHEER (Sudheer R) s/o P Ravindranath R/o. A 304 Garudadri springs apartment,Nanjappa Layout, Yelchenahalli, Bengaluru - 560 062, Karnataka have changed my name to Sudheer Ravindranath Menon for all purposes

I, KHOMDONSANA Devi spouse of Dinesh Singh resident of SMQ 247/4, Air Force Station, Yelahanka, Bangalore have changed my name from Khomdonsana Devi to Tekcham Khomdonsana Devi vide affidavit dated 19-11-2022 before Notary G.R.Ravichandra Reddy, Bangalore.

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF THE IV ADDL CITY CIVIL JUDGE MAYOHALL UNIT AT BANGALORE (CCH-21)
O.S. NO. 25499/2022

Between
ICICI Bank Limited, Having its Registered office at Landmark, Race Course Circle, Vadodara- 390 007 and having its Corporate office at ICICI Bank Towers, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai-400 051 and its branch office at Mystree Centre, 4/10, Hosur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore- 560 068 Represented by its POA Holder Sri. Pramodh Gurumallappa **...Plaintiff**
And
Ms. Mithikayala Kavitha ...Defendant

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT

To,
Ms. Mithikayala Kavitha,
D/o. Sri. Venkata Subbaiah Mithikayala, Aged about 29 years, Annapurneshwari, P G for ladies, Govind Reddy, Velankani, Electronic City, Phase 1, Near Appolo Pharmacy, Bangalore-560100

WHEREAS the Plaintiff has instituted above said suit against you for recovery of Rs. 6,37,844/- (Rupees Six Lakh Thirty Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Four Only) together with interest @ 24% p.a., cost of the suit and to grant such other or further order relief. The above mentioned Defendant hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Additional City Civil & Sessions Judge (CCH- 21) in person or through a Counsel who can able to answer the claim made against you on 09.01.2023 at 11.00 a.m. failing which the suit is heard and disposed ex-parte.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Hon'ble Court on this. 17-11-2022

By order of the Hon'ble Court
Deputy Registrar
City Civil Court, Mayohall Unit, Bangalore

Advocate for Plaintiff
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No : D1-43/78 Date : 19/11/2022

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Construction Engineer

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF THE 72nd ADDL CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYOHALL UNIT AT BANGALORE (CCH-73)
O.S. NO. 26304/2022

Between
ICICI Bank Limited, Having its Registered office at Landmark, Race Course Circle, Vadodara- 390 007 and having its Corporate office at ICICI Bank Towers, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai-400 051 and its branch office at Mystree Centre, 4/10, Hosur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore- 560 068 Represented by its POA Holder Sri. Pramodh Gurumallappa **...Plaintiff**
And
Sri. Charan & Another ...Defendant

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT No. 1 & 2

To,
1. Sri. Charan, S/o. Sri. Ashok Reddy, Aged about 33 years, Shreeka Water Supply, 864, Frens Paradise, 3rd Cross, Off Outer Ring Road, Doddanakundi, Bangalore- 560 037
2. Sri. N R Ashoka, S/o. Sri. Nekundi Ramakrishna Reddy, Aged about 65 years, No. 864, Frens Paradise, 3rd Cross, Off Outer Ring Road, Doddanakkundi, Bangalore-560 037

WHEREAS the Plaintiff has instituted above said suit against you for recovery of Rs. 7,70,802/- (Rupees Seven Lakh Seventy Thousand Eight Hundred Two Only) together with interest @ 24% p.a., cost of the suit and to grant such other or further order relief. The above mentioned Defendants hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble 72nd Additional City Civil & Sessions Judge (CCH - 73) in person or through a Counsel who can able to answer the claim made against you on 17.12.2022 at 11.00 a.m. failing which the suit is heard and disposed ex-parte.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Hon'ble Court on this. 14-11-2022.

By order of the Hon'ble Court
Deputy Registrar
City Civil Court, Mayohall Unit, Bangalore

Advocate for Plaintiff
S.A. Associates,
No.10, 7th Cross, Victoria Layout, Bangalore- 560 047

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF THE 72nd ADDL. CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS COURT, MAYOHALL, BANGALORE (CCH- 73)
O.S. No. 25845 of 2021

Plaintiff :
M/s. ICICI Bank Ltd.
Having its Regd. Off. at Mytree Centre, No. 4, 101, Hosur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore- 560068, Reptd. by its Manager Sri. Pramod G. S/o. Gurumallappa B.

Defendant :
Mr. PANGALURI MAHESH, Aged about 37 years S/o. Sri. Malakondhiah, Residing at 668, 7th Cross, Bhuvanasehwari Layout, Munnekolala Marathahalli (Near Lakshmi Narayana Temple), Bangalore- 560103.

WHEREAS the plaintiffs have instituted the above suit against you seeking to recover a sum of Rs.5,90,616/- (Rupees Five Lakh Ninety Thousand Six Hundred Sixteen Only) together with future interest at 13.49%, you are hereby summoned to appear in this Court in person or by pleader on the16th of December, 2022 to answer the same, failing which the suit/ application will be disposed of ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of this court on 18-11-2022

By Order of the Hon'ble Court, Deputy Registrar, City Civil Court, Mayo Hall unit, Bangalore

SD/-
ALTAF HASAN, Advocate, No. 60, G-3, Ground Floor, M.M. Complex, Chikka Bazaar Street, Tasker Town, Shivajinagar, Bangalore-051

IN THE COURT OF 13th ADDL, CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYOHALL AT BANGALORE (CCH-22)
O.S. NO.26522/2021

BETWEEN :
M/s. ICICI BANK LIMITED Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore 560001 Represented by its Manager and Power of Attorney Holder Mr. Pramodh G.....**PLAINTIFF**
AND:
Mr. Kanna L. **...DEFENDANT**

SUMMONS

Mr. Kanna L
S/o. Laxman Aged about 41 years, No. 455, 39th Cross, 2nd Block, Near Old Police Station Bus Stop, Rajajanagar, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560010.

Whereas, the above named Plaintiff has filed a Civil Suit for Recovery of a sum of **Rs.5,22,321.33/- (Rupees Five Lakhs Twenty Two Thousand Three Hundred and Twenty One and Paise Thirty Three Only),** apart from future interest of 10.52% p.a., in **O.S. No. 26522/2021** and same is pending adjudication in **CCH-22,** Before 13th Addl. City Civil Court, Mayohall, Bengaluru.

You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Court on the 16th Day of December, 2022 at 11:00 A.M. to answer to the same, if failed the suit will be decided in your absence, Ex-parte.

Given under my Hand and Seal of the Court this the18th day of November, 2022.

Order of the Court
Deputy Registrar,
City Civil Court, Mayohall, BENGALURU- 560 001

FX & CO. ADVOCATES,
New No. 9, Old No.11/1
Gover Road, Cox Town,
BENGALURU- 560 005.

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF 13th ADDL CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYOHALL AT BANGALORE (CCH-22)
O.S. NO. 25357/2022

BETWEEN :
M/s. ICICI BANK LIMITED Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore 560001 Represented by its Manager and Power of Attorney Holder Mr. Pramodh G. **...Plaintiff**
And
Mr. Ankit Chhauda ...Defendant

SUMMONS

Mr. Ankit Chhauda S/o. Anil Chhauda Aged about 34 years, FF2 Elegant Palace, Nobonagar, 2nd Cross, Doddakammanahalli Road Bangalore- 560076.

Whereas, the above named Plaintiff has filed a Civil Suit for Recovery of a sum of **11,74,460.21/- (Rupees Eleven Lakhs Seventy Four Thousand Four Hundred and Sixty and Paise Twenty One Only)** apart from future interest of **9.45% p.a.**, in **O.S. No. 25357/2022** and same is pending adjudication in **CCH-22,** Before 13th Addl. City Civil Court, Mayohall, Bengaluru.

You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Court on the **2nd Day** of **January 2023** at 11:00 A.M. to answer to the same, if failed the suit will be decided in your absence, Ex-parte.

Given under my Hand and Seal of the Court this the **17th day of November, 2022.**

By Order of the Court
Deputy Registrar,
City Civil Court, Mayohall, Bengaluru- 560 001

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New No. 9, Old No. 11/1
Gover Road, Cox Town,
BENGALURU- 560 005

IN THE COURT OF THE IV ADDL. CITY CIVIL JUDGE MAYOHALL UNIT AT BANGALORE (CCH-21)
O.S. No. 25480/2022

Between
ICICI Bank Limited, Having its Registered office at Landmark, Race Course Circle, Vadodara- 390 007 and having its Corporate office at ICICI Bank Towers, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai-400 051 and its branch office at Mystree Centre, 4/10, Hosur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore- 560 068 Represented by its POA Holder Sri. Pramodh Gurumallappa **...Plaintiff**
And
Smt. Valliyamma ...Defendant

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT

To,
Smt. Valliyamma, D/o. Sri. Dhamodhar Reddy, Aged about 43 years, No. 47, 2nd Main Road, Manjunath Nagar, S Pura, Chikkalsandra, Bangalore- 560 061

WHEREAS the Plaintiff has instituted above said suit against you for recovery of **Rs. 6,01,840/- (Rupees Six Lakh One Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Only)** together with interest @ 24% p.a., cost of the suit and to grant such other or further order relief. The above mentioned Defendant hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Additional City Civil & Sessions Judge (CCH- 21) in person or through a Counsel who can able to answer the claim made against you on 09/01/23 at 11.00 a.m. failing which the suit is heard and disposed ex-parte.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Hon'ble Court on this 17/11/22

By Order of the Hon'ble Court
Deputy Registrar
City Civil Court, Mayohall Unit, Bangalore

Advocate for Plaintiff
S.A. Associates,
No. 10, 7th Cross, Victoria Layout, Bangalore- 560 047

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF XIII ADDL. CITY CIVIL & SESSIONSJUDGE, MAYOHALL, AT BANGALORE (CCH- 22)
O.S. NO.25312/2022

BETWEEN :
M/s. ICICI BANK LIMITED Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore 560001 Represented by its Manager and Power of Attorney Holder Mr. Pramodh G.....**PLAINTIFF**
AND
Ms. Parvathi & Another, **...DEFENDANT**

SUMMONS

1) Ms. Parvathi, D/o. Govindappa Aged about 49 years, 83, Kenkerammana Beedi, Kanakapura- 562117.
2) Ms. Usha. K.S. D/o. Mr. Suresh, Aged about 29 years, 15, 1st Cross, 6th Road, Kanakapura, Ramanagar, Kanakapura-562117.

Whereas, the above named Plaintiff has filed a Civil Suit for Recovery of a sum of **Rs.5,52,300.21/- (Rupees Five Lakhs Fifty Two Thousand Three Hundred and Paisa Twenty One Only)** apart from future interest of 10.01% p.a., in **O.S. No. 25312/2022** and same is pending adjudication in CCH-22, Before XIII Addl. City Civil Court Mayohall, Bengaluru.

You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Court on the 16th Day of December, 2022 at 11:00 A.M. to answer to the same, if failed The suit will be decided in your absence, Ex-parte.

Given ander my Hand and Seal of the Court this the18th day of November, 2022.

Order of the court
Deputy Registrar,
City Civil Court, Mayohall, BENGALURU- 560 001

FX & CO. "ADVOCATES,
New NO. 9, Old No.11/1
Gover Road, Cox Town,
BENGALURU- 560 005.

IN THE COURT OF 73rd ADDL. CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYOHALL AT BANGALORE (CCH-74)
O.S. NO. 25454/2022

BETWEEN :
M/s. ICICI BANK LIMITED Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore- 560001 Represented by its Manager and Power of Attorney Holder **Mr. Pramodh G.**
AND
1. Mr. Sachith Kumar A. S/o. Anjinappa, Aged about 29 years, No. 3177, 1st Cross, Rajyotsva Nagar, 2nd Stage, JP Nagar, Bangalore- 560078.
2. Mr. Anjanappa S/o. Chennaigaiah Aaged about 52 years, (Address as shown above)

Whereas, the above named Plaintiff has filed a Civil Suit for Recovery of a sum of **Rs. 10,41,210.19/- (Rupees Ten Lakhs Forty One Thousand Two Hundred and Ten and Paise Nineteen Only)** apart from future interest of **8.90% p.a.,** in **O.S. No. 25454/2022** and same is pending adjudication in **CCH- 74,** Before Addl. City Civil Court Mayohall, Bengaluru.

You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Court on the 03rd Day of January, 2023 at 11 A.M. to answer to the same, if failed the suit will be decided in your absence, Exparte.

Given under my Hand and Seal of the Court this the 8th day of November, 2022.

By order of the Court
Deputy Registrar,
City Civil Court, Mayohall, Bengaluru- 560 001

FX & CO.
Advocates,
New No. 9, Old No/11/1
Gover Road, Cox Town,
Bengaluru- 560 005.

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF XIII ADDL. CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE, MAYOHALL, AT BANGALORE (CCH- 22)
O.S. NO. 25316/2022

BETWEEN :
M/s. ICICI BANK LIMITED Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore- 560001 Represented by its Manager and Power of Attorney Holder Mr. Pramodh G. **...PLAINTIFF**
AND
Mr. Rajesh Kumar Sah ...DEFENDANT

SUMMONS

Mr. Rajesh Kumar Sah S/o. Mr. Umesh Prasad Sah Aged about 33 years, 107, 3rd Main, 2nd Cross, Nisarga Layout, Bannerugatta Post, Aluk Harapanahalli, Jigani, Bangalore- 560083

Whereas, the above named Plaintiff has filed a Civil Suit for Recovery of a sum of **Rs. 9,49,725.70/- (Rupees Nine Lakhs Forty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Five and Paisa Seventy Only)** apart from future interest of 13.51% & 14.50% p.a., in **O.S. No. 25316/2022** and same is pending adjudication in **CCH-22**, Before XIII Addl. City Civil Court Mayohall, Bengaluru.

You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Court on the 16th Day of December, 2022 at 11:00 A.M. to answer to the same, if failed the suit will be decided in your absence, Ex-parte.

Given under my Hand and Seal of the Court this the 18th day of November, 2022.

By Order of the Court
Deputy Registrar,
City Civil Court, Mayo Hall, Bangalore- 560001

FX & CO.,
ADVOCATES,
New No. 9, Old No.11/1
Gover Road, Cox Town,
BENGALURU 560 005.

IN THE COURT OF THE IV ADDL. CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYOHALL UNIT AT BANGALORE (CCH-21)
O.S. NO. 25491/2022

Between
ICICI Bank Limited, Having its Registered office at Landmark, Race Course Circle, Vadodara- 390 007 and having its Corporate office at ICICI Bank Towers, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai-400 051 and its branch office at Mystree Centre, 4/10, Hosur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore- 560 068 Represented by its POA Holder Sri. Pramodh Gurumallappa **...Plaintiff**
And
Sri. Puppala Vijayavard Reddy ...Defendant

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT

To,
Sri. Puppala Vijayavard Reddy, S/o. Sri. Gopal Reddy Puppala, Aged about 39 years, Sri Sai Homes, Door No. 006, 6th Main Road, 1st Cross, Doddanekkundi, Bangalore- 560 079

WHEREAS the Plaintiff has instituted above said suit against you for recovery of Rs. 4,44,547/- (Rupees Four Lakh Forty Four Thousand Five Hundred Forty Seven Only) together with interest @ 24% p.a., cost of the suit and to grant such other or further order relief. The above mentioned Defendants hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble Additional City Civil & Sessions Judge (CCH-21) in person or through a Counsel who can able to answer the claim made against you on 09/01/2023 at 11.00 a.m. failing which the suit is heard and disposed ex-parte.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Hon'ble Court on this. 17/11/2022.

By Order of the Hon`ble Court
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LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF THE 26th ADDL. CITY CIVIL JUDGE AT MAYO HALL, BANGALORE. (CCH- 20)
O.S. No. 25840/ 2021

Plaintiff :
M/s. ICICI Bank Ltd.
Having its Regd. Off. at Mytree Centre, No. 4, 101 Hosur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore- 560068, Reptd. by its Manager Sri. Pramod G. S/o.Gurumallappa B.

Defendant :
Mr. MOHAMMED FAMID ULLA, Aged about 44 years, S/o. Nisar Ahmed Residing at No. 2/6, BSA Road, Masjid Street, 1st Floor, Tannery Road, Frazer Town, Bangalore- 560 005

WHEREAS the plaintiffs have instituted the above suit against you seeking to recover a sum of Rs.3,44,486/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Forty Four Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty Six Only) together with future interest at 14.49%, you are hereby summoned to appear Before the 26th Addl. City Civil & Sessions Judge, Bangalore; in person or by pleader on the 10/01/2023 to answer the same, failing which the suit/application will be disposed of ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of this court on 10/11/2022.

By Order of the Hon'ble Court, Deputy Registrar, City Civil Court, Mayo Hall unit, Bangalore

ALTAF HASAN, Advocate, for Plaintiff, No. 60, G-3, Ground Floor, M.M. Complex, Chikka Bazaar Street, Tasker Town, Shivajinagar, Bangalore-051; Ph:7892117565/9902928290.

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF THE 73rd ADDL. CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYOHALL UNIT AT BANGALORE (CCH-74)
O.S. NO. 26447/2021

Between
ICICI Bank Limited, Having its Registered office at Landmark, Race Course Circle, Vadodara- 390 007 and having its Corporate office at ICICI Bank Towers, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai-400 051 and its branch office at Mystree Centre, 4/10, Hosur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore- 560 068 Represented by its POA Holder Sri. Pramodh Gurumallappa **...Plaintiff**
And
Sri. Gangadhara ...Defendant

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT

To,
1. Sri. Gangadhara, S/o. Sri. Venkatappa, Aged about 39 years, Chinnayyana Palya, Indlavadi, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore- 562 106

WHEREAS the Plaintiff has instituted above said suit against you for recovery of Rs.12,79,123/- (Rupees Twelve Lakh Seventy Nine Thousand One Hundred Twenty Three Only) together with interest @ 24% p.a., cost of the suit and to grant such other or further order relief. The above mentioned Defendants hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble 73rd Additional City Civil & Sessions Judge (CCH-74) in person or through a Counsel who can able to answer the claim made against you on 02/01/2023 at 11.00 a.m. failing which the suit is heard and disposed ex-parte.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Hon'ble Court on this 09/11/2022.

By Order of the Hon`ble Court
Deputy Registrar
City Civil Court, Mayohall Unit, Bangalore

Advocate for Plaintiff
S.A. Associates,
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Monday sees minimum temperature in city drop to 13.9 degrees Celsius

As per India Meteorological Department forecast, in the next few days the maximum temperature will not rise much and the minimum temperature will not dip further

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Cold spell continues in Bengaluru as the second coldest morning of November in over 10 years was recorded on Monday, when the mercury dropped to 13.9 degrees Celsius. The temperature dipped to 12.5 degrees Celsius at the HAL Airport Station of the India Meteorological Department (IMD).

Previously, on November 19, 2012, the minimum temperature dipped to 13.3 degrees Celsius. As per the forecast, in the next few days the maximum temperature will not rise much, while the minimum temperature will not dip further. Just like a few days ago, even this week, a system formed in the Bay of Bengal is draining the moisture, resulting in no cloud formation.

For the next 48 hours, there will be cloudy conditions in Bengaluru along with light rain. FILE PHOTO

"There are only clear skies and partly cloudy skies. It will change in the next two days as more cloudy skies will form and there is also a possibility of light rain. By Tuesday, the minimum temperature will mostly be 15 to 16 degrees Celsius and it will not dip much after that," explained Prasad, scientist, IMD, Bengaluru.

He added that in North-interior Karnataka, the temperatures might still go down for a few days. The forecast says that for the next 48 hours, there will be cloudy conditions in Bengaluru along with light rain. Foggy conditions are expected to continue in the mornings.

Floating splendour

The Teppotsava, a beautified boat mantapa with the idol of Dodda Basavanna, on the Kempambudhikere after a gap of 14 years on Monday. The Teppotsava, which was a part of Kadalekayi Parishe for centuries, had to be discontinued then owing to the bad condition of the lake. K. MURALI KUMAR

Kempegowda airport's Terminal 3 construction delayed till 2034

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

While the first phase of the Kempegowda International Airport's (KIA) Terminal 2 was recently inaugurated, further expansion work which includes the construction of Terminal 3 will take place only in the next decade.

Fairfax India, which has 54% stake in the Bangalore International Airport Limited (BIAL) which operates KIA, in its third quarter financial results stated that the construction of Terminal 3 has been delayed until BIAL's fiscal year 2034.

Interim report

Fairfax Holdings, in its interim report for the nine months ending September 30, further said that domestic and international passenger traffic is expected to gradually recover to levels witnessed before the pandemic by BIAL's fiscal year 2024.

A file photo of the Kempegowda International Airport.

"The airport handled approximately 18.8 million passengers in the first nine months of 2022, representing an increase in overall traffic of 85.3% compared to the first nine months of 2021. The airport also processed 310,771 tonnes of cargo in the first nine months of 2022, and handled the highest market share of perishable cargo in India for the second consecutive year in fiscal year 2022," it stated.

The report also said the COVID-19 pandemic also impacted the airport's business due to reduced passenger traffic and the lockdown.

"The pandemic significantly impacted BIAL's airport business which faced reduced passenger traffic as a result of government mandated lockdown restrictions imposed during March 2020, with the exception of cargo flights and flights catering to emergencies and essential requirements. Domestic flights resumed on May 25, 2020 and international flights resumed on March 27, 2022," the report said.

HC quashes SRS Travels' cheating complaint against Scania Pvt. Ltd.

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The High Court of Karnataka has quashed a criminal case of cheating filed by the proprietor of city-based SRS Travels against the top executives of Scania Commercial Vehicles India Pvt. Ltd. (SCVIPL), a Sweden-based bus and truck manufacturer, for the loss caused to the travels due to supply of "defective" buses.

"It is clear that the complaint is registered only for the purpose of recovery of money or to settle scores with the company [SCVIPL], which had not released the buses as no payment was made towards repair of buses," the court observed.

Justice M. Nagaprasanna passed the order while allowing the petition filed by SCVIPL, its Managing Director Petr Novotny, and six other top executives, who were named as accused in the complaint.

SRS lodged the complaint alleging that it suffered huge financial losses due to 'defective' buses supplied by SCVIPL

The Kalasipalya police registered a First Information Report on April 5, 2020, acting on a complaint by K.T. Rajashekar, who was the proprietor of SRS Travels. As Mr. Rajashekar died during the pendency of the petition, his daughter had continued the case.

"The offence of criminal breach of trust or cheating cannot even remotely be found in the complaint which alleges that a commercial transaction has gone wrong between SCVIPL and the complainant. The transaction has gone wrong not because of the acts of SCVIPL, but due to the complainant failing to pay the amount either to SCVIPL or to the financier," the court pointed out.

"Having defaulted in payment and losing possession of buses based on attachment order passed by a Delhi court on financier's plea, the complainant becomes disgruntled and takes to arm twisting the SCVIPL for settlement of dues... Therefore, the complaint is a product of a commercial transaction going wrong, the complainant getting disgruntled with the seizure of vehicles seeks to dress the aforesaid facts with the colour of crime," the court observed.

SRS, which purchased 77 buses from SCVIPL between 2013-18, had lodged the complaint alleging that it suffered huge financial losses due to "defective" buses supplied by SCVIPL.

However, the court noted from the records that SRS came up with the complaint of "defective" buses after using these buses for more than 1 to 2 lakh kilometres and after SCVIPL did not release some buses after repair for non-payment of around ₹90 lakh by SRS.

The financier had taken possession of several buses on a civil court's order as SRS defaulted in repayment loan instalments, which was close to ₹40 crore, the court noticed.

Bangalore University enhances leased land rent

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Bangalore University has enhanced the leased land rent to ₹50,000 per acre with 10% hike in the rent every year to institutions on the Jnanabharathi campus. The university has around 1,200 acres of land at the campus and it has given 273.19 acres to 24 institutions on lease for 30 to 99 years for ₹1 per acre per year to ₹10,000 per acre per year.

The National Institute of Sports has got 81.2 acres of land on lease for 99 years, for ₹1 per acre per year.

The Regional Institute of English got 11.11 acres for a 30-year lease, the Institute for Social and Economics Change got 38.21 acres of land for 30 years lease, the Atomic Energy Department has got 15 acres for 99 years lease, the Babasaheb Dr. B.R. Ambedkar School of Economics has 43.35 acres for 30 years and rent of ₹1,000 per acre per year.

The decision was taken in the 166th syndicate meeting of BU, on October 31, to be effective from December 1, 2022. The varsity has requested all institutions to enter into a fresh lease agreement at the earliest.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client **Mr. MURUGAN MANJUNATHAN, S/o. Manjunathan,** R/at. No. 28, Near Mathas School, Muni Reddy Layout, Garve Bhavi Palya, Bangalore - 560 068, intends to purchase the below mentioned Property from its present owner Kalpana Devraj W/o P. Devaraj.

Any Persons, financial institutions, having any sort of claim/rights/interest/ charge/on the below said Property or any objections for the said sale of the Property may file their objections in writing along with supporting documents, addressed to the undersigned within **7 Days** from the date of publication of this notice, failing which, it shall be construed that there are no claims of any sort or whatsoever over the below said Property and my client shall be advised to proceed with the proposed transaction. Any claims thereafter shall not be entertained.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of vacant **Site No.3,** Sy. No. 69/3A, situated at **Hongasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk,** presently coming under BBMP Limits, measuring East to West 30 Feet and North to South 57 feet, totally measuring **1710 Sq ft** and bounded on:-

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West : Site No. 4
North : Private Property
South : Road

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Two arrested for peddling marijuana

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Kamakshipalya police on Monday arrested two people and recovered .5 kilograms of marijuana worth ₹90,000 from them.

The accused, identified as Vinod Kumar, 28, and Shankar Narayan, 22, from Laggere were arrested while they were waiting at the Sumanahalli bus stand with bagpacks.

The accused allegedly confessed that they bought the drugs from their source identified as Vinayaka and Selviyamma.

The police are now on the lookout for the duo who had allegedly sold the drugs to Vinod and Shankar.

Chief Secretary instructs officials to immediately carry out work to decongest traffic in Bengaluru

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Chief Secretary Vandita Sharma ordered officials to asphalt 107 roads in the city, install 210 streetlights, repair 47 streetlights, clear 33 black spots, correct 427 unscientific road humps, and carry on many other such civic works in a meeting held to discuss the measures to decongest traffic on Monday.

The meeting was attended by officials of the BBMP, the Bengaluru Traffic Police (BTP), the Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation, the Bengaluru Metro Rail Corporation Limited, the Directorate of Urban Land Transport, the Bangalore Development Authority, the Smart City, and other departments concerned. The officials were also instructed to immediately close the remaining potholes on the important arterial, sub-arterial, and ward roads while also telling them to speed up the work on the potholes which were geo-tagged by the BTP. It was further decided that the officials should inspect and come up with solutions for those roads which get inundated during rains, where some kinds of corrective measures have already been taken.

Officials were also directed to immediately close the remaining potholes on important roads. FILE PHOTO

Manholes identified

The BTP had identified a total of 112 manholes, above the road level, which could lead to accidents.

Accordingly, 53 such manholes have been repaired by the BWSSB while 59 more have to be repaired. Ms. Sharma asked the officials concerned to take up this work immediately.

The BBMP and the BTP officials were also instructed to collaborate and clear the abandoned vehicles on roads and pavements.

While some measures have already been taken up to decongest the 10 problematic junctions in the city (including Silk Board, Hebbal, and Goraguntepalya Junctions) by various departments, the Chief Secretary said that the implementation of the remaining measures should be completed soon.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Sri Erappa, S/o. Late. Muniswamappa, Aged about 53 years, Residing at No. 142, Near Narayanappa Thota, Kachamaranahalli, Bangalore 560 087 has intended to purchase the schedule property from Sri SRIRAM.S S/o Late Seetharamaih Aged about 45 years and MASTER BRIJESH RAM, Since minor represented by his Father and natural guardian, Sri. SRIRAM S, both are Residing at Muddenahalli Village Harohalli Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagar District-562159. If any person's having any claim, right, title and interest of whatsoever nature over the schedule property, may forward their objections/ claims to the undersigned in writing (via e-mail or through post), with supporting documents of your such claims within 14 days from the date of publication of this notice. Failing which it will be deemed that there are no claim, right. title and interest of anybody and my client will proceed for completion of sale transaction and thereafter no claims will be considered.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of the Property bearing Residential Vacant Site bearing No. 9/9. present New Khata No. 9/9, old Khata No. 9/9, Kaggalahalli Village panchayat E-Swathu No.152900200401220882, now Harohalli Pattana Panchayat, having PID No. 4370668749, measuring East to West 9.15 +9.16/2 meter and North to South 13.46+13.90/2, totally measuring 125.16 Square meter, in the Layout named as "SRI LAKSHMI VENKATESHWARA ENCLAVE being a residential converted site carved out of 1.00 acre of converted land in Sy. No. 11/1 Situated Mudenahalli Village, Harohalli Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagar District, converted vide conversion order No. RGK/LN(K)CR/02/2015-16. dated 11-09-2015, issued by the Office of D.C., Ramanagar District and the layout plan approved by Kanakapura Planning Authority: vide the Resolution No. KPA/LAO/16/2016-17/679, dated 23-09-2017 and sites were released vide resolution No. KPA/LAO/16/2016-17/679 dated 23-09-2017, earlier coming under the administrative jurisdiction of Kaggalahalli Grama Panchayat, now coming under the administrative jurisdiction of Pattana Panchayat, Harohalli, with all basic civic amenities, and bounded on: **East by** : Road;
West by : Property belonging Sy No. 9/8:
North by : Site No. 8. **South by** : Site No. 10.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

By way of this notice, is hereby notifying the General Public/ Nationalized Banks/Private Banks/ NBFCs/ Co-operative banks/money lenders/public-private institutions/any legal person/s all that, my/our clients **Dr. Shweta Shivanand Jigajinni** and **Dr.Shivanand Jigajinni** are willing to purchase following schedule property and have entered into an Agreement of Sale with **Ashwin Ram Mahesh B** who has lost/misplaced the original sale deed which is registered as, Document No. 5250/1991-92, Book-1, Volume No. 397, Pages 189-190, dated 25/11/1991, registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Kengeri, Bangalore.

In case any person's or financial institutions has any right, title, interest, claim of whatsoever nature by way of sale, gift, lease, heirship, possession or by any other nature in respect of aforesaid property, the same should be known in writing to me at the address mentioned below with the documentary proof within **7 days** from the date hereof, failing which it will be construed that the scheduled property is free from all claims and encumbrances, and my client will proceed to purchase the schedule property without being liable for any claim/s or charge/s put forth thereafter.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Vacant **Site No.815,** Situated at **4th Stage in the Layout formed by the BEML Employees' House Building Co-Operative Society Limited,** in Sy. Nos. 90, 98/1, 143 to 146, 166/1, 166/2, 166/3, 167/1, 167/2, 168 to 172, 176/1, 176/2, 177, 221/1, 221/2 and 222 of **Halagevaderahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bengaluru;** BBMP Khata No. 2129/2056/815/2125, Ward No. 160, measuring:
East to West: 30' feet
North to South: 45' feet
Total Area : 150 Square yards,
together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded on the:
East by: Site No. 816, West by: Site No. 814, North by : Site No. 750, South by : Road.

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FROM THE ARCHIVES

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The need to have full disclosure on electoral bonds and political funding

If political donations do not have complete transparency, voters are stuck with a ruling party with unlimited resources, being subject to relentless election campaigns, while donors surreptitiously and directly influence policy

Rakesh Reddy Dubbudu

According to an RTI reply, electoral bonds worth ₹10,246 crore have been sold by the State Bank of India (SBI) since the instrument was launched in March 2018. In this article dated June 16, 2021, Rakesh Reddy Dubbudu elaborates how electoral bonds have further obscured political party funding.

In 2014, the Delhi High Court held that both the Congress and the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) were guilty of illegally accepting donations from two companies registered in India but whose controlling shareholder was Vedanta, a foreign company. The court held that this was in contravention of the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act (FCRA), 1976, as the donations accrued from "foreign sources" within the meaning of law.

Following this indictment, the two parties came together in the last memorable bipartisan move. In 2016 and 2018, the government amended the FCRA through the annual Finance Bills, to retrospectively legalise the violations. The amendments and subsequent changes brought in by the current government enabled new and regressive pathways that afford full anonymity to corporate and foreign political donors.

A new form of anonymity

While recently hearing a Public Interest Litigation (PIL) by the Association of Democratic Reforms (ADR), the Supreme Court downplayed the concerns of the corrupting influence of anonymous corporate and foreign money. It offered us voters the suggestion of "match the following".

Earlier, only profit-making domestic companies could contribute to political parties; now loss-making companies can too. Earlier, foreign companies or companies where the controlling stake was held by a foreign company couldn't contribute; now they can. India's political parties could theoretically be fully funded by a foreign company operating in India or by a foreign entity through a shell company.

In 2017, the then Finance Minister said anonymous cash donations to political parties would be reduced from ₹20,000 to ₹2,000 to ensure greater transparency in political funding. However, the concurrent introduction of electoral bonds brought a new form of anonymity to thousands of crores of donations. It drastically reduced public and legislative oversight. Only the ruling party via the State Bank of India (SBI) has a full account of all donations being made via electoral bonds, to itself and to Opposition parties. Parliament, the Election Commission and the Opposition parties do not have this information, nor do the public.

The ADR PIL challenges electoral bonds as unconstitutional. In March 2021, the Supreme Court refused to stay the sale of electoral bonds before the West Bengal elections. Instead, the judgment listed several documents which supposedly establish a paper trail on donations – "all that is required is a little more effort to cull out such information from both sides (purchaser of bond and political party) and do some 'match the following'."

This is impractical and plainly incorrect. The Right to Information (RTI) Act of 2005 enables easier access to information held by public authorities. No ordinary person has the resources to navigate documents on obfuscating government websites or pore over income tax returns. The few civic and non-profit organisations that attempt to simplify information to enable accountability have been systematically delegitimised.

Suggesting a "match the following" is incorrect for three reasons. If we set aside individual donors and focus just on registered entities, we will find that the full scale of registered entities is unknown. Even if registered companies filed annual financial statements, many do not disclose political donations. Crucially, political parties do not need to disclose their electoral bond donors either.

According to back-of-the-envelope calculations, there are close to 25 lakh potential donors comprising just companies and firms. This includes about 12.6 lakh active private limited companies as of January 31, 2021. Unlike what is stated in the judgment, the annual reports of all these companies are not readily accessible on the website of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs. More than 12 lakh firms filed income tax returns for the assessment year 2018-19. Firms, unlike companies, have no regulatory mandate to submit their annual reports except for filing their annual tax returns, since their functioning is regulated by Acts other than the Companies Act of 2013.

Even if these documents are indeed filed and available in the public domain, they will not specify donations to parties. Conveniently, the Finance Bill of 2017 amended Section 182 of the Companies Act of 2013 to remove the requirement for declaring disaggregated donations to political parties. At best, company statements might have a total aggregate amount of all donations, including philanthropic ones. If we are lucky, these might be sub-categorised as "political contributions through electoral bonds." Nowhere are donations to specific political parties required to be mentioned.

Even if one combs through these documents to find an actual political donation, there is nothing to match it with. Political parties do not need to disclose their electoral bond donors. Strictly speaking, political parties are not even supposed to know their electoral bond donors. The only requirement is the annual audit reports with a total of all donations received via electoral bonds. These reports are submitted with great delays. For instance, the audit reports for 2019-20 of major national parties were made available on the Election Commission's website only a few days ago. The BJP's report is not yet available as the Election Commission extended the deadline for the submission of Annual Audit Reports for 2019-20 to June 30, 2021. Even if these reports are submitted on time, there is no way to match a donation of a company to that received by a political party as only aggregate amounts are available.

Hence, the "match the following" suggestion of the Supreme Court falls flat on its face. It is impossible for an average voter to pore over documents of lakhs of entities and track potential company and firm donors.

Further, recipient-wise information is unavailable. Unlike the tall claims of electoral bonds enabling transparency, it is only RTI applications with the SBI that offer a glimpse into the crores of money funding political parties, and therefore influencing public policies. If they chose to, the Supreme Court or the legislature could order full and real-time disclosure, to the actual benefit of transparency and accountability. Instead, meagre civil society resources are expended in filing PILs and RTI applications, at significant personal risk.

Winners and losers

In effect, electoral bonds give political power to companies, wealthy individual donors, and foreign entities, thus diluting the universal franchise of one voter-one vote. Every vote is not equally valuable if companies can influence policies through hidden donations.

The winner of this arrangement is the ruling party, whether at the Centre or in a State, and the loser is the average voter. Companies and political parties could exercise moral leadership and voluntarily disclose the identity of recipients and donors, as the Jharkhand Mukti Morcha recently did. Till then, voters are stuck with a ruling party with war chests of resources, being subject to relentless election campaigns, while donors surreptitiously and directly influence policy.

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KEYWORD

Why the business of banking is a risky venture

How maturity transformation helps banks use short-term funds to finance long-term projects and acts as a bridge to bring together depositors and borrowers

Prashanth Perumal

Maturity transformation refers to a role played by banks in which they use short-term funds to finance long-term projects. For example, banks could use deposits that can be withdrawn by their customers at any point in time to give out loans that are repayable over many years by borrowers. Depositors generally like to have ready access to the deposits that they entrust with a bank. Borrowers, however, prefer to take out loans with tenures that are ideally as long as the tenure of the projects in which they invest the borrowed money. Banks try to act as intermediaries trying to bring together depositors with short time horizons and borrowers with long time horizons.

The right balance

In order to manage the mismatch between the maturity profile of their assets and that of their liabilities, banks repeatedly roll over their deposits. They do this by paying current short-term depositors who demand their money back with fresh money that they receive from new short-term depositors. This makes the business of banking a risky venture as banks need to correctly forecast when their liabilities (customer deposits) and assets (loans) will mature, and how to manage any mismatch in these maturities. If a bank's depositors demand their money sooner than the bank's borrowers can repay their loans, this can lead to trouble as the bank will be unable to make good on its promise to return money to its depositors on demand. The bank may even be forced into a fire sale of its assets in order to immediately pay back depositors, which in turn could cause the bank to go insolvent. Banks may try to extend the maturity of their liabilities by rolling them over with fresh deposits. They may also use instruments such as bonds, fixed deposits, etc., which have a defined maturity date in contrast to current deposits that can be withdrawn at any time. Some economists believe that banking is inherently unstable due to the mismatch in the maturity of assets and liabilities of banks. Hence, they believe that banks need help from the government in the form of bailouts whenever they get into trouble. Other economists, however, believe that banks need to adjust their loan-making practices in such a way that it is consistent with the maturity profile of their deposit base. Some particularly note that it should be illegal for banks to promise their short-term depositors that they can withdraw their money whenever they want since banks loan these to borrowers. Instead, they argue that short-term funds should be treated as safe-keeping deposits and banks should be barred from using these funds to give out loans.

THE DAILY QUIZ

Please send in your answers to dailyquiz@thehindu.co.in

A quiz on U.S. President John F. Kennedy and authors C.S. Lewis and Aldous Huxley who all passed away on November 22, 1963

V.V. Ramanan

QUESTION 1
In which American city was JFK assassinated and who shot him?

QUESTION 2
In *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe*, which of the two Pevensie siblings are the first to enter Narnia?

QUESTION 3
Huxley had a brief stint as a teacher at Eton where one of his students was Eric Blair, who went on to become a famous author. Under what name did Blair write?

QUESTION 4
For which work was JFK awarded the Pulitzer Prize in 1957?

QUESTION 5
How did Abraham Zapruder, a Ukrainian-born American clothing manufacturer, achieve worldwide fame with respect to JFK?

QUESTION 6
Apart from *Silent Planet*, name the other books in Lewis' sci-fi trilogy featuring Elwin Ransom.

QUESTION 7
Disney paid $7500 to Huxley to write a script based on this famous children's work. However, the studio did not use Huxley's opus because it was 'literary'. Name the famous work.

Visual question:
Name this cult band that borrowed its name from an Aldous Huxley work.AP

Questions (abridged) and Answers to the previous day's daily quiz: 1. Andres Iniesta after scoring the winning goal for Spain's first World Cup dedicated it to this person. **Ans: Dani Jarque. Iniesta took his shirt off after scoring the goal revealing the message "Dani Jarque siempre con nosotros" (Dani Jarque is always with us).**
2. The 1958 World Cup featured the most goals scored by a single player in one edition. **Ans: Just Fontaine, France**
3. This player holds the record for being in the most number of World Cup games. **Ans: Lothar Matthaus**
4. This Brazilian footballer appeared in three finals of the World Cup (and won two). **Ans: Cafu**
5. This country's team played the most consecutive matches conceding at least one goal in each of them between 1934 and 1994. **Ans: Switzerland**
Visual: The significance of this dog in relation to the World Cup. **Ans: Pickles, the dog, found the stolen Jules Rimet Trophy wrapped in a newspaper in London while on a walk with its owner in 1966**
Early Birds: Bijo Paul| Devendra Singh Chaudhary

Word of the day

Harbinger:
something that precedes and indicates the approach of something or someone

Synonyms: precursor, forerunner, predecessor, herald

Usage: *The sudden cold is the harbinger of climate change*

Pronunciation: bit.ly/harbingerpro

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RISE	06:22	SET 17:50
RISE	05:31	SET 17:19
THURSDAY, NOV. 24		
RISE	06:22	SET 17:50
RISE	06:32	SET 18:13

Bengaluru Weather	max	min
Tumakuru	27	20
Mysuru	30	18
Bengaluru	27	14

Bengaluru Today
24°C The weather will be pleasant but humid. Night will be cool. Spell of light rain or thundershower to occur.

Bengaluru Tomorrow
23°C A pleasant but humid weather to prevail. Night will be cool. Spell of moderate rain and thundershower with gusty winds will occur.

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NIMHANS study finds an early onset of Parkinson's disease among Indian patients

Although tremors were the most prevalent symptom at onset in both genders, rigidity was significantly more prevalent in women, according to the report

Afshan Yasmeen
BENGALURU

A recent study by researchers from NIMHANS has found an earlier onset of Parkinson's disease (PD) in Indians compared to people living with this movement disorder in other countries. This difference extends to almost a decade, revealed the study that has been published in 'Parkinsonism and Related Disorders' last week.

NIMHANS is observing movement disorders awareness week from November 23.

Pramod Kumar Pal, Professor, Department of Neurology at NIMHANS, who is the corresponding author of the study, told *The Hindu* that a manual chart review was carried out for 2,035 patients, including 550 women, with PD who had been evaluated at the Neurology OPD and Movement Disorder Clinic at NIMHANS.

Parkinson's was always considered to be a disease of the elderly.

"An exploration of recent studies providing the average age at onset (AAO) of PD revealed that our cohort had an earlier onset of illness in comparison to most other countries. While the mean AAO in our cohort was observed to be 51.03 ± 11.32 years (with an average age at evaluation of 55.50 ± 10.87 years, and duration of illness of 4.46 ± 4.11 years.), we have also evaluated patients aged around 45 for PD," he said.

"This difference extends to almost a decade when compared to studies from Europe (mean AAO: 60.07 years) and North America (mean AAO: 58.2). Interestingly, our cohort had a much lower AAO even in comparison to other Asian countries (mean AAO: 58.85). The only country with an AAO significantly lower than India was Colombia (mean AAO: 46.26). Another interesting observation from this exploration is the earlier AAO noted in the lower latitudes," Dr. Pal said.

PD was always considered to be a disease of the elderly with a five to ten-fold increase beyond the sixth decade, an AAO of approximately 60 years, and age itself considered to be a risk factor.

However, this simple concept of PD being a geriatric illness has been challenged over the past few decades by several studies that have consistently demonstrated an early onset of PD with definitive variability, especially when different geographical regions are compared, the doctor said.

A comparison of male and female patients revealed that female patients had a younger AAO.

Additionally, although tremors were the most prevalent symptom at onset in both genders, rigidity was significantly more prevalent in women, the study found.

While a majority had onset of symptoms on the right side (55.92%) and tremors were the most prevalent symptom at onset, family history of tremors or Parkinsonism was reported by 6.19%.

"A comparison of patients with early and late AAO revealed that a higher prevalence was observed in late onset PD. A higher prevalence of rigidity was observed in early onset PD. No differences were observed either with regard to family history or stage of progression when compared between gender or early and late onset PD," the study pointed out.

Dr. Pal explained that the implications of an earlier onset are multi-fold and extend beyond possible phenotypic variability.

"In the present study, patients with early onset PD did not report a higher prevalence of family history. However, this may be influenced by recall bias, or lack of awareness about the presence of such symptoms in family members," he said.

NIA to take over probe into Mangaluru blast case

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

A special team of sleuths from the National Investigation Agency (NIA) have already joined the Mangaluru autorickshaw blast probe and the case will soon be formally handed over to the central agency, sources in the Karnataka police said.

Additional Director-General of Police (Law and Order) Alok Kumar said the probe had extended beyond the State and they were in touch with the central agencies, even as Home Minister Araga Jnanendra said central security agencies had already joined the probe.

The NIA recently took over the probe into a case registered by the Shivamogga Rural police in September, 2022, in which Mohammed Shariq, the prime suspect in the Mangaluru blast case, is a prime suspect.

The Karnataka police and the NIA had been hunting for him since September. Probing a stabbing incident over a V.D. Savarkar photo, the Shivamogga police had busted a local terror module and arrested Maaz Muneer Ahmed, 22, and Syed Yasin, 21.

They were allegedly influenced by the Islamic State, were members of an IS Telegram group, and had tested an improvised explosive device with Shariq on the banks of the Tungabhadra. Shariq, allegedly the key man in the module, had been on the run.

A photo of Mohammed Shariq with a rigged pressure cooker found on his phone.

Shariq has been linked to one of India's most wanted terror accused on the run, Abdul Matheen Taha, who was also influenced by the Islamic State. Since, Shariq procured a SIM card in Coimbatore, which saw Jameesha Mubin killed in a similar car blast on October 23, agencies are keen to probe Shariq's links with the Coimbatore blast too, if any.

"The NIA is anyway probing the Coimbatore blast. The Al-Hind ISIS Bengaluru terror module, in which Shariq's handler Abdul Matheen Taha is a prominent member, also has its base in Tamil Nadu. The module was founded by Mehboob Pasha, a resident of Gurappana Palya, Bengaluru, and Khaja Moideen, a resident of Cuddalore, Tamil Nadu, busted by the NIA in 2020," a senior police official said.

We had advised him not to break the law: Kin

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MANGALURU

The family members of Mohammed Shariq, accused in the Mangaluru autorickshaw blast, who identified him at a hospital here on Monday, told the police that they had earlier advised him to stay away from criminal activities.

Shariq was earlier accused of writing provocative graffiti in Mangaluru in November 2020 and later in an alleged stabbing incident reported from Shivamogga on September 1 this year.

Addressing presspersons here, Additional Director-General of Police (Law and Order) Alok Kumar said that Shariq's stepmother Shabana, sister Afiya, and his mother's sister Yasmin met him in the hospital. The police had contacted the family after checking his phone.

Investigation into voters' data 'theft' expanded to BBMP's revenue officers

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BENGALURU

The probe into the voters' data theft scandal has now expanded from the Chilume Educational Cultural and Rural Development Trust, which allegedly impersonated the civic body and illegally carried out voter surveys, to the revenue officers of the civic body, who allegedly colluded with them.

Hours after the city police issued notices to 20 Revenue officials, the incharge of electoral roll revision and linking of Aadhar card with electoral rolls, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP), suspended Revenue Officers in three Assembly constituencies, Mahadevapura, Shivaji Nagar, and Chickpet, pending departmental inquiry, for alleged dereliction of duty.

Chief Civic Commissioner Tushar Giri Nath, who is also the Chief Election Officer for the city, had ordered a probe into allegations of an illegal survey by the trust by the Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru Urban district.

Based on his reports, three officers, K. Chandrashekhar, RO, Mahadevapura; Suhail Ahmed, RO, Shivajinagar, and V.B. Bhimashankar, RO, Chickpet, have been suspended.

The suspension orders said these officers were found to have issued ID cards to volunteers from the trust tasked with carrying out the Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP) campaign, as block-level coordinators (BLCs), in violation of norms.

The Bengaluru police are probing into the alleged theft of voters' data. FILE PHOTO

However, in multiple cases, ID cards with the RO's signature and seal designated as block-level officer (BLO) for those associated with the trust have been found, the DC's report noted and held the ROs culpable of dereliction of duty.

The city police have recovered several ID cards of those associated with the trust as BLOs and are probing their source, issuing notices to Revenue officers.

Meanwhile, the police are on the lookout for one of the prime suspects in the case K.M. Lokesh, the administrator at the trust, who was allegedly coordinating the surveys and organised BLO ID cards for the surveyors.

Lokesh was allegedly coordinating the field workers and issuing them ID cards with the signature and the seal of the officials concerned. Lokesh has been on the run ever since the incident came to light.

The police have arrested the founder-brothers of the trust, Krishnappa Ravikumar and Kempegowda, along with two other staffers and detained the chief software developer of the Digital Sameeksha app, into which voter data was being fed.

The police are now questioning Ravikumar to know the motive behind collecting the data and the involvement of the other people behind the data theft.

CFTRI's flour milling tech student bags ₹45 lakh job offer

The Hindu Bureau
MYSURU

A student of International School of Milling Technology (ISMT) at the CSIR-Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI), Mysuru, has bagged a job with an annual salary package of ₹45 lakh.

Disproving that only young graduates in the IT sector secure placements with handsome salaries, the ISMT student, after finishing the 12-month residential course in flour milling technology, managed to get an overseas placement with the whopping pay. Almost all students of the 41st ISMT course have bagged jobs with attractive salaries. CSIR-CFTRI director Sridevi Annapurna Singh, at the ISMT course valedictory event held on CFTRI premises here on Monday, said: "I cannot imagine such a salary package even after completing 31 years of my service. I feel happy to see our students excel in their roles. Those who have passed out of course are in top positions and the course has made a big impact on the flour milling industry."

Suresh D. Shakhare, coordinator, ISMT, CSIR-CFTRI, said the 41st batch of ISMT students have bagged attractive jobs and added that 100% placements had been registered this year too. Many students have secured jobs in African and Asian countries. The student who got the ₹45 lakh annual package has been placed in a Trinidadian company.

So far, 41 regular courses in flour milling technology have been completed since the launch of ISMT. In all, 836 students, including 117 international students, were trained at the institute and are now serving in various roller flour mills in India and abroad. "There has been qualitative change in the working of these mills as per the feedback received from the milling industry," the institute said.

Text & Context
A weekday feature on *The Hindu* epaper (epaper.thehindu.com) carries explainers, special articles and a quiz. In the latest issue (November 22, Tuesday), the following explainer is available:

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Ever wondered why there are no complaints of potholes, flooding in Electronics City?

GUEST COLUMN

Rasheed Kappan
BENGALURU

In perennial struggle with its inglorious traffic mess, its mountains of daily muck, and soaring water demand, Bengaluru is always on the lookout for successful urban management models to emulate. The Electronic City Township Authority (ELCITA), with its multiple smart systems might be tough to scale up, but it does offer strategies to tackle many of the big city woes.

Is it rocket science, for instance, to adopt a data-driven approach to solve one of Bengaluru's most visible trouble-spots, its roads? Pothole counting is a routine BBMP exercise, but a taxing one at that. So, why not automate the process like how ELCITA did with a few mobile cameras fitted to a car that drives around once a fortnight or month? The camera captures road visuals from multiple angles, which are then uploaded to a software driven by artificial intelligence (AI).

The ELCITA way: A camera captures road visuals from multiple angles.

The system matches these visuals with images of the same road taken before. Any crack, pothole or depression on the road surface is instantly spotted and its precise location geotagged.

An assessment team from the Authority goes to the spot, rectifies the fault, and uploads a fresh image. The system automatically updates the task as rectified, ensuring real-time monitoring, transparency and accountability. Equipped with men, machines and money, can the Palike adopt this strategy, at least as a pilot?

Still evolving, the AI-based system is now being trained to differentiate between a wet patch and a pothole. This could further boost its efficiency during monsoon, when the interplay of asphalt and stagnant water can get tricky.

The message is clear: Despite ELCITA's jurisdictional area of a mere 903 acres, learnings from its methods can help the city get its basics right: Zero potholes, storm-water drains cleared and unclogged much before the rains.

In ELCITA's proposed Metro Neo project lurks a potential solution to link the city's last miles. Much before the Namma Metro line finds its way into Electronics City, the Authority has realised that a lot of people will switch from their two-wheelers and four-wheelers to the convenient mass transport option.

The objective is simple: A seamless commute from the two planned metro stations to the companies.

Glaring inter-modal connectivity gaps have plagued the Namma Metro project, and this remain unaddressed years after the first train chugged in. Contrast this with the Neo project, a 5-km network featuring a trolleybus system with overhead electric traction, stopping initially at 10 stations.

Once the Detailed Project Report (DPR) is ready, the project could be commissioned by June 2024, according to ELCITA Chief Executive Officer Lt. Col. Ravindra Singh.

To bypass constraints of Electronics City's narrow roads, the system will run on elevated lines. Proposed are electric bus coaches fitted with rubber tyres, drawing power from overhead wires. The capacity of each coach could be in the range of 250 passengers. But even beyond the Metro Neo, the last-mile focus will extend to bus stops with the deployment of electric scooters and smaller shuttles.

The recent floods that had residents around the city's Outer Ring Road (ORR) in a twister of commute and livelihood woes were attributed to poor drain management. Besides glaring encroachment of the critical linking canals, drains – shoulder, primary and secondary – that remained uncleared pre-monsoon proved to be a huge factor.

Here too, ELCITA had a best practice in place: Extensive repairs were carried out in drains where required. Potential flooding spots identified by analysed data were under constant surveillance. User complaints were addressed in quick time, ensuring that there were no major problems.

In contrast, a flood-warning app developed for Bengaluru by the Karnataka State Natural Disaster Monitoring Centre (KSNDMC) largely remains unused for coordination and preparation.

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Panel suggests photograph of 'Nada Devathe' to govt.

The Lalit Kala Academy headed by D. Mahendra has recommended a painting of Karnataka's "Nada Devathe" by artist Somashekar K. to the Kannada and Culture Department.

As portraits of many deities such as Saraswathi and Durgadevi were being used in different official functions, the State government had constituted a committee to recommend a painting of "Nada Devathe" to use across all official functions. The statue of Kannada deity, representing the Kannada identity, would be installed on the campus of the Bangalore University, according to an official release. The State government said portrait of "Nada Devathe" should be compulsorily put up on the walls of government schools and colleges and also in all official functions, said the release.

The deity is seen against in the backdrop of Karnataka map, State's flag and Western Ghat. She wears a green sari and bangles and her right foot is placed on a lotus.

Assembly polls: 1,450 people submit applications seeking Congress ticket

Siddaramaiah, who previously contested from Badami and Chamundeshwari, has not specified his pick of constituency for the 2023 elections

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

A total of 1,450 candidates of the Opposition Congress submitted filled applications seeking ticket to contest the 2023 Karnataka Legislative Assembly elections scheduled to be held next year. Aspirants from all 224 constituencies have submitted applications seeking ticket.

Leader of the Opposition Siddaramaiah filled the application. But, interestingly, he has not mentioned the constituency from which he would contest. He contested from two constituencies in 2018 and won from Badami and lost from Chamundeshwari.

There were rumours of him considering contesting from Kolar and there were a couple of meetings held, but he appears to be as yet undecided. There were also rumours that he might return to Varuna, which his son Yathindra Siddaramaiah currently holds.

Leaders of other parties joining the Congress in the presence of KPCC president D.K. Shivakumar and CLP leader Siddaramaiah in Bengaluru on Monday. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

A total of 1,500 candidates secured applications by paying demand draft worth of ₹5,000, but 50 candidates did not return the applications.

November 21 was the last day for submission of applications. KPCC president D.K. Shivakumar on November 14 announced extension of deadline to November 21 following requests from ticket aspirants from various parts of the State and also those from other parties who wanted to join the Congress.

A sum of ₹2 lakh and ₹1 lakh was fixed as fee for general category and SC/ST candidates, respectively, and all candidates had to submit applications with the amount. Mr. Shivakumar had said funds collected will be used for the construction of a new party building, and as expenses for party advertisement ahead of the Assembly elections.

Banakar, others join

Meanwhile, U.B. Banakar, former BJP MLA from Hirekerur, H. Ningappa, former JD(S) MLA from Tumakuru Rural, and a couple of other leaders of BJP and JD(S) joined the Congress in the presence of Mr. Shivakumar and Mr. Siddaramaiah at the party office.

Mr. Shivakumar and Mr. Siddaramaiah welcomed the leaders by giving them the party's flags. Mr. Banakar is likely to contest from Congress against Agriculture Minister B.C. Patil in the next year's Assembly elections.

Kannada Bhavans in Kerala and Goa a non-starter owing to land issues

Sharath S. Srivatsa
BENGALURU

The proposal to build Kannada Bhavans at Kerala and Goa, to promote Kannada and provide a platform for the Kannada-speaking population there, remains in a limbo after running into land issues.

Kannada Bhavans in predominantly Kannada-speaking areas have been proposed at Akkalkot in Sholapur district of Maharashtra in the name of Jayadevi Taayi Ligade, at Kasargod in Kerala in the name of Kayyara Kinhanna Rai, and also in Goa at an allocation of ₹5 crore in the 2022-2023 budget. It envisages a 300-seater auditorium, green room and office room in the first phase while open air theatre, library and additional green room have been proposed in the second phase.

While the land has been made available in Akkalkot and the construction is expected to commence soon, the promised land in a portion belonging to Zuari Chemicals in Goa has not fructified and the land at Badiyadka in Kasaragod is currently with the zilla panchayat with whom the Karnataka government is not keen to partner. Indifference of the respective state governments, which do not want any linguistic issues to crop up, has also added to the problem, government sources said.

A view of Kannada Bhavan in Bengaluru. FILE PHOTO

"In Akkalkot, the Adarsha Kannada Balaga bought land and registered it in the government's name. They have agreed to maintain the building," a senior official in Karnataka Border Area Development Authority. However, in Kasargod, the local Kannada-speaking population is opposed to the Karnataka government spending money on construction on a piece of land that is with Kasargod zilla panchayat. In fact, the said land had been given by the family of celebrated Kannada writer Kayyara Kinhanna Rai for construction of a cultural building eight years ago.

Bitter experience

"The local Kannada-speaking population does not want the Kerala government to have control over the Kannada Bhavans since there has been a bitter experience in developing Manjeshwar Govinda Pai Memorial. The Kerala government took over the land but did not release the money. It was due to efforts of the then Union Minister M. Veerappa Moily that ₹7 crore was released. However, till now the building is not complete," said the source.

Meanwhile, though the Kayyara family has offered another parcel of land, it is not open to handing it over to the government since it is expecting CSR funds for development of a memorial. "Instead, the family has asked government to partly fund the memorial and has offered membership in the trust."

Money for land

In Goa, according to officials, a small portion of land was initially offered in a large landholding of Zuari Chemicals for free. However, the company is seeking money from the government now. "The land prices are very high and the project could see huge cost overruns. The Karnataka government has been seeking Goa government's intervention, but things are not moving," said the source.

However, Goa Chief Minister Pramod Sawant clarified last week that the State does not have a problem if Karnataka purchases land on its own and constructs Kannada Bhavan. Citing shortage of land, he also said that his Government will not be able to help in this issue.

Decision on increase in milk price deferred

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The State government has once again deferred the decision on increasing the price of milk and other products supplied by the Karnataka Milk Federation (KMF).

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai on Monday chaired a meeting with KMF Chairman Balachandra Jarkiholi, Chief Secretary Vandita Sharma, and officials of Finance and Animal Husbandry Departments and told the milk federation officials to collect information on the prevailing prices in other States, the cost of milk production, and leakage in the procurement and supply of milk to end consumers, before taking the decision on increasing prices.

Guidelines

Mr. Bommai told reporters that he provided some guidelines to KMF to study and work out price hike keeping the interests of both consumers and farmers.

A few days ago, the KMF increased the price of milk and curd by ₹3 a litre. But the hike was rolled back after interference from the Chief Minister.

Caste discrimination: Police on the lookout for accused

The Hindu Bureau
MYSURU

The police are on the lookout for the accused who is said to have washed a drinking water tank with cow urine and performed "cleansing rituals" after a Dalit woman drank water from it in Chamarajanagar district.

The incident took place at Heggotara village on Friday and the accused was identified as Mahadev. After the incident came to light, members of the Dalit community drew water from different tanks and drank water to underscore equality besides asserting rights over common property resources.

An FIR was registered and a report has been compiled and submitted to district in charge Minister V. Somanna. Senior officials of the Department of Social Welfare, who visited the village, said that interaction with the locals indicated that it was the handiwork of one individual and he was not accompanied by anyone.

"We visited the village soon after receiving the report of caste discrimination and interacted with the locals. People have also condemned the incident and there is no tension among the locals. It was the handiwork of an individual who is absconding," said Mallikarjuna, Deputy Director of Social Welfare Department, Chamarajanagar district.

Mr. Somanna who was in Chamarajanagar on Sunday said that he had directed the officials to submit a report. "The report has already been submitted to the Minister," said Mr. Mallikarjuna.

Incidentally, the tanks have a message scribbled that water is meant for all members of the community apart from a conservation note that it should be judiciously used.

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Private resorts move court against allotment of fewer seats for their guests in safaris

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BENGALURU

The High Court of Karnataka on Monday ordered issue of notice to the State government on a PIL petition complaining about discrimination in allotment of seats to the guests of private resorts in the jungle safaris conducted in Nagarahole and Bandipur National Parks by the State-owned Jungle Lodges and Resorts Ltd.

A division bench comprising Chief Justice Prasanna B. Varale and Justice Ashok S. Kinagi passed the order on the petition filed by Karnataka Eco-Tourism Resorts Association, Waterwoods Lodges and Resorts Pvt Ltd., Orange County Resorts and Hotels Ltd., Kabini Holiday Homes Pvt Ltd., and Karnataka Wildlife Resorts Pvt Ltd.

It has been alleged in the petition that fewer number of seats were allotted to the guests of private resorts for the jungle safari in the vehicles operated by Jungle Lodges and Resorts and also the vehicles, in which the seats are allotted to their guests, were in dilapidated condition.

The petitioners, quoting earlier round of litigations in the High Court over permission for safari for their guests, have said that the State authorities had agreed in writing with them to provide at least 50% of the seats in the safari for the guests in the private resorts. However, this arrangement has now be given a go by as only a few seats are allotted to them.

This discrimination, the petitioners have claimed, has not only affected their interests but also impacted livelihood of local people employed in the private resorts.

The petitioners have said that they had set up resorts based on the State's Wilderness Tourism Policy.

Task force set up

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The State government on Monday constituted a task force to check the problem of wild elephants in four districts of Chikkamagaluru, Hassan, Kodagu, and Mysuru.

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NAMAKKAL

The number of eggs exported from Namakkal district to Qatar has increased from 1.5 crore to 2.5 crore daily as the FIFA World Cup raised demand in the West Asian nation. With cheaper prices, Namakkal eggs have scored over the produce from Turkey.

In Namakkal district, the approximately 1,100 poultry farms produce 5.5 crore to 6 crore eggs a day.

Earlier, 1.5 crore eggs were exported to Qatar, and now it has increased to 2 crore to 2.5 crore. Due to the demand, the wholesale price of a single egg in Namakkal was fixed at ₹5.35 on Monday, and it is expected to reach ₹6 soon.

As a result, the retail price too will exceed ₹6 soon.

K. Singaraj, president, Tamil Nadu Poultry Farmers' Association, said this year, the production of eggs had also increased in Namakkal.

"Turkey is the main egg supplier to Qatar. However, the price of eggs from Turkey has risen due to an increase in production costs. An egg box (consisting of 360 eggs) from Namakkal is exported to Qatar for $29 to $30 (around ₹2,400). A box of eggs from Turkey, on the other hand, costs $36 (around ₹2,900). As the World Cup started in Qatar, the demand for eggs also increased," he added.

Massive output: In Namakkal district, approximately 1,100 poultry farms produce 5.5 crore to 6 crore eggs per day. FILE PHOTO

S. Manikumar

Man held for blocking Kerala Chief Justice's car

The Hindu Bureau
KOCHI

A motorbike rider has been charged with attempt to commit culpable homicide (under Section 308 of the Indian Penal Code) after he reportedly blocked the convoy of Kerala High Court Chief Justice S. Manikumar, at the first Goshree bridge on Sunday.

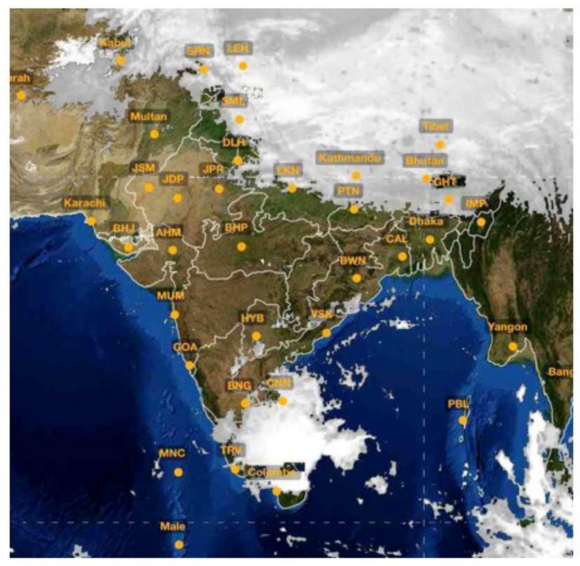
He also allegedly showered abuses. The bike rider, Udumpanchola native Tijo, who stays at Puthuvype, was arrested by the Mulavukad police based on a complaint by the Chief Justice's pilot officer. The police said Tijo, a lorry driver by profession, committed the act while in an intoxicated condition.

He claimed that he had no malice towards the Chief Justice. He is yet to get over the influence of liquor and will shortly be produced before the magistrate, they said.

He has, in addition, been charged under varios Sections of the IPC for rash driving, using abusive language, obstructing the duty of a public servant, wrongful restraint, and criminal intimidation.

WEATHERWATCH

Rainfall, temperature & air quality in select metros yesterday



TEMPERATURE DATA: IMD, POLLUTION DATA: CPCB, MAP: INSAT/IMD (TAKEN AT 18.00 HRS)

Forecast for Tuesday: Heavy rainfall likely at isolated places over north Tamil Nadu, south coastal Andhra Pradesh and Rayalaseema. Thunderstorm with lightning likely at isolated places over coastal Andhra Pradesh, north Tamil Nadu, Puducherry and Karaikal

CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN	CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN
Agartala	—	31.5	18.5	Kozhikode	—	33.6	23.4
Ahmedabad	—	30.7	16.0	Kurnool	—	27.0	19.5
Aizawl	—	—	15.7	Lucknow	—	28.0	14.2
Allahabad	—	29.6	12.6	Madurai	—	33.2	21.6
Bengaluru	—	27.2	13.9	Mangaluru	—	32.1	21.5
Bhopal	—	26.0	10.8	Mumbai	—	31.7	17.0
Bhubaneswar	—	30.6	19.9	Mysuru	—	30.0	15.0
Chandigarh	—	26.8	9.7	New Delhi	—	27.3	8.9
Chennai	—	25.6	21.4	Patna	—	27.3	12.7
Coimbatore	—	31.3	19.8	Port Blair	—	31.2	25.9
Dehradun	—	26.8	10.8	Puducherry	—	28.2	19.8
Gangtok	—	18.2	9.7	Pune	—	28.4	12.2
Goa	—	32.2	17.9	Raipur	—	29.0	14.0
Guwahati	—	30.0	15.8	Ranchi	—	28.8	12.0
Hubballi	—	29.0	18.0	Shillong	—	23.1	12.3
Hyderabad	—	29.6	18.2	Shimla	—	18.7	7.5
Imphal	—	29.0	12.2	Srinagar	—	15.0	3.7
Jaipur	—	28.3	12.6	Thiruvananthapuram	2	31.4	23.2
Kochi	—	30.2	23.4	Tiruchi	—	32.1	21.0
Kohima	—	22.6	8.0	Vijayawada	1	26.7	20.0
Kolkata	—	29.5	20.2	Visakhapatnam	—	28.4	24.8

(Rainfall data in mm; temperature in Celsius)

Pollutants in the air you are breathing

CITIES	SO 2	NO 2	CO	PM2.5	PM10	CODE
Ahmedabad	.13	..93	..8	 59	89	
Bengaluru	...7	..30	61	... 250	.....—	
Chennai	.10	..48	54	 96	86	
Delhi	.37	118	83	... 331	...336	
Hyderabad	.44	..39	75	... 145	...138	
Kolkata	...8	..38	34	... 168	...141	
Lucknow	.14	..55	40	... 253	...177	
Mumbai	.23	216	61	 89	...129	
Pune	...6	..11	43	 30	...320	
Visakhapatnam	.28	..45	34	 82	...100	

Yesterday

In observation made at 4.00 p.m., Motihari, Bihar recorded an overall air quality index (AQI) score of 421 indicating an unhealthy level of pollution. In contrast, Aizawl, Mizoram recorded a healthy AQI score of 20

Air Quality Code: Poor Moderate Good (Readings indicate average AQI)

SO₂: Sulphur Dioxide. Short-term exposure can harm the respiratory system, making breathing difficult. It can affect visibility by reacting with other air particles to form haze and stain culturally important objects such as statues and monuments.

NO₂: Nitrogen Dioxide. Aggravates respiratory illness, causes haze to form by reacting with other air particles, causes acid rain, pollutes coastal waters.

CO: Carbon monoxide. High concentration in air reduces oxygen supply to critical organs like the heart and brain. At very high levels, it can cause dizziness, confusion, unconsciousness and even death.

PM2.5 & PM10: Particulate matter pollution can cause irritation of the eyes, nose and throat, coughing, chest tightness and shortness of breath, reduced lung function, irregular heartbeat, asthma attacks, heart attacks and premature death in people with heart or lung disease

Kerala Assembly session to start from December 5

The Hindu Bureau
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

The seventh session of the 15th Kerala Assembly will open on December 5, according to the calendar of sittings published by the House.

The Legislative Assembly session is expected to be tumultuous, with the State government moving to introduce a Bill which seeks to remove the Governor as Chancellor of universities in the State.

The calendar of sittings for nine days, from December 5 to 15 with a weekend-break in between, was published on Monday.

Eight days - from December 5 to December 8, and from December 12 to 15 - have been set aside for government business. Government business and private members' business will be taken up on December 9 (Friday).

The previous session was held from August 22 to September 1.

ISRO to attempt 200th successful launch of RH-200 rocket in a row

The Hindu Bureau
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Former President Ram Nath Kovind will be present to witness the launch on Wednesday

The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) will attempt the 200th consecutively successful launch of the Rohini RH-200 sounding rocket on Wednesday from Thumba here.

Former President Ram Nath Kovind will be present at the Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC), ISRO's lead unit on launch vehicles, to witness the launch. The launch window is between 11 a.m. and 12 noon, a VSSC official said here on Monday.

Mr. Kovind will address the VSSC community and release a coffee-table book on the RH-200 rocket. ISRO Chairman S. Somanath and VSSC Director S. Unnikrishnan Nair will be present. The event is not open to the public.

RH-200 is a solid motor-powered, expendable rocket capable of climbing up to a height of 70 km bearing payloads designed to study the upper atmosphere. An RH-200 had lifted off successfully from Thumba for the 199th time in a row in October this year.

TENDER INVITED (E-PROCUREMENT)

Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Engineering Division, Belagavi hereby invited tender from Registered Contractors for the Item rates through E Portal. There are total 01 work have been called, Standard of tender documents KW-4 for price of Estimated cost Rs. 75.38 Lakhs and also EMD has as per Eprocurement for each work. The last date for submission of any quarries is 29-11-2022 17.30 PM, the last date for submission of tender bid is on 30-11-2022: 17:30 PM. Opening of technical bid is on 02-12-2022: 11.00 AM and expected Financial bid will be opened on 02-12-2022 11:30 AM. For any other information / clarifications please contact the below signed office, and also search internet for E-Portal website **http://e-proc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- **EXECUTIVE ENGINEER**
P.R.E. Division, Belagavi

DIPO/BGM/1221/2022-23

MANGALORE ELECTRICITY SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED
(Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
O & M Circle Office, Shakthi Soudha, Bondel, Mangalore - 575 015
Ph: 0824-2443549/2444915 | CIN: U40109 KA 2002 SGC 030425

NO: SEE/MNG/EE(O)/AEE-2/2022-23/6809-810 DATE : 14.11.2022

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (E-Procurement Portal Only)

Bid Enquiry No.: MESCOM/2022-23/EL/WORK_INDENT 1868

MESCOM invites tenders from registered licensed Super grade/Class-1 Electrical Contractors for the work of Shifting of HT Lines by converting existing overhead lines to UG Cable and Shifting of 1 No of 63KVA DTC by providing new GI TC Structure in front of GAIL gas Station in Pananbur section of Bykampady Sub Division, Kavoor Division in MESCOM jurisdiction on Total Turnkey basis.

The detailed tender notification information can be obtained by logging on to **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **22.11.2022.** Any further details can be obtained from the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer (Ele), O&M Circle, Mangalore

For Power Related Complaints & Assistance Call Toll Free Number 1912

Government of Karnataka
Office of The Executive Engineer,
Panchayat Raj Engineering Division, Haveri
Email : eeprednhvr@gmail.com Tel. No: 08375-232454
No. EE/PREDn/HVR/PB-2/Tender/2022-23/4529 Dt: 21-11-2022

E-Procurement Tender Notification No: /2022-23 (1st Call)

The Panchayat Raj Engineering Department through Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Engineering Division, Haveri on behalf of Governor of Karnataka invites the E-Portal Tender as per KW-1, KW-2 & KW-3 from the eligible and approved Class-3 Contractors registered in PWD. and registered for e-Procurement for the following works, including their Defect liabilities Period for one year under Different schemes. Details can also be obtained in **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

(1) Byadagi Shidenur main road to Hirenandihalli Road (Indent No. 96551) (2) Hirehalli village Veerabhadreshwara Temple road (Indent No. 96512) (3) Bisalahalli- Anur road (Indent No. 96516) (4) Katenahalli- Wadeyanapura road (Indent No. 96530) (5) Byadagi- Shidenur main road to Sati Seetadevi temple road (Indent No. 96554) (6) Bisalahalli Sunakalbidari via Timmenahalli road (Indent No.96541) (7) Dummihala - Tilavalli road (Indent No. 96546) (8) Shankaripura – Kurubagonda road (Indent No.96557) (9) Chinnikatti cross to Kurrbagonda road (Indent No. 96559)

(1) Last date for Receipt of completed tender documents through online : **29-11-2022** up to 4.00 PM (2) Date of technical bid opening (if possible) : **30-11-2022** @ 05.00 PM (For Sl.no. 1 to 5) (3) Date of Financial bid opening (if possible) : **03-12-2022** @ 11.00 AM (For Sl.no.6 to 9)

More details can also be taken from the office of the undersigned during working hours and also through the E-portal website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in by clicking List of Tenders which will link to all departments.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
P.R.E. Division, Haveri

DIPR/HVR/MCA/383/2022-23

Government of Karnataka
ZILLA PANCHAYAT OFFICE, HASSAN DISTRICT
Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Panchayat Office, B M Road, Rangoli Halla, Hassan, Karnataka 573201
ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ಅಭಿ(4)ಅಆಅಯೋ/41/2022–23 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 10–11–2022

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION FOR SUPPLY OF MEDICAL EQUIPMENTS

Hereby invites Technical & Commercial Bids from officially registered, Eligible suppliers/Non-Governmental Organization who are registered under law, For Supply Of Medical Equipment to Hassan district as described in the schedule of requirements. 1)Tender Reference No.ಅಭಿ(4)ಅಆಅಯೋ/41/2022–23 2)Amount put to Tender 80.10 Lakh (Approximate) 3)Date of commencement of tender 16-11-2022 4)Last date & Time for submission of Tender 30-11-2022 5)Date & Time of opening of technical bid 01-12-2022 6)Date & Time of opening of Financial Bid 02-12-2022 7)EMD Amount Rs. 2,00,250/- 8)Venue of opening of tenders & address for communication: web site http://e-proc.karnataka.gov.in Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Panchayat Office, B M Road, Hassan, Karnataka 573201 Interested eligible suppliers or manufacturers those who are registered in portal bidders can down load the bid documents with visiting the web site http://e-proc.karnataka.gov.in

sd/- Chief Executive Officer,
Zilla Panchayath, Hassan.

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GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
DISTRICT URBAN DEVELOPMENT CELL
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER AND DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,BELAGAVI DISTRICT, BELAGAVI
Telephone no:0831-2407279 E-Mail:dudc_bgm@yahoo.co.in

No: BGM/DUDC/5/CR-25/2021-22 Dated:21-11-2022

Tender Notification

The Executive Engineer, District Urban Develoment Ceel, Belagavi District invites tender in two cover system using KW-4 Documents for Belagavi District Chief Minister Amrut Nagarothana (Municipality) Phase-4 Project works as detailed below:- **(Rs. in Lakhs)**

Sl. No	Description of works	Amount Put to Tender (Excluding GST)	Earnest Money Deposit
1	Improvement of Road and Drain Works in Town Municipal Council CHIKODI limits. (Tender No. DMA/ 2022-23/RD/WORK_INDENT 141625)	391.13	5.87
2	Construction of Samudaya Bhavan, Food Court (Complex), Compound Wall, Bridge & CD, Development of Gardens & Burial ground and Supply & Erection of Street light Poles & Street lights in Town Municipal Council CHIKODI limits. (Tender No.DMA/2022-23/OW/ WORK_INDENT141637)	199.10	2.99

Contractors can download and submit the tenders through e-Procurement portal at www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in. Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) and Tender Processing Fee shall also be paid electronically. Calendar of Events and other information are as follows:

1	Period of Construction	09 Months (Excluding Mansoon)
2	Last Date for submission of tenders	21-12-2022 up to 17.00 hrs.
3	Date of Opening of Tenders (Technical Bids)	22-12-2022 at 17.01 hrs.

Postponement of calendar of events (if any) is only through e-Procurement portal and will not be published in newspapers.

Sd/-EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
Distirct Urban Development Cell, Belagavi

DIPR/BGM/RO-NO-1227/MCA/2022-23

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY PATNA
(An Institute under Ministry of Education, Govt. of India)

NOTICE FOR Ph.D. ADMISSION

Applications are invited from Indian nationals for **ADMISSION to Ph.D. Programme –Even Semester (Jan-Jun 2023) of session 2022-23** under Full Time / Part-Time / Sponsored Scheme and Selection for JRF / SRF positions for the sponsored research projects at NIT Patna. Last date for online application is 07th Dec 2022, up to 11:00 AM.

For detailed information, **please visit Institute website www.nitp.ac.in**

Advt. No. NITP/2022-23/07 **Registrar**

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED
(RAICHUR THERMAL POWER STATION)
CIN: U85110KA1970SGC001919

No. KPCL/2022-23/PM/WORK_INDENT 13168 Dated: 17.11.2022

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

(Two Cover System) (Through e-Procurement portal only)

Tender invited through e-procurement portal from agencies for the work of **Rewinding of LT Motors of Unit-1 to 8 and Outlying area on rate contract basis for a period of one year**, from reputed firms/ organisations/ contractors. Last date for receipt of Tenders: **28.11.2022 upto 16.00 Hrs**. All relevant details of the bids are available in the e-portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** Further details can be had from the office of the **Executive Engineer (LT)-1,** KPCL, RTPS, Shakthinagar-584170, Raichur Dist. Mobile: 94495 96537. E-mail: eelt1rtpskpcl@ karnataka.gov.in ; eelt1rtps@gmail.com

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
DIRECTORATE OF CHILD PROTECTION, DISTRICT CHILD PROTECTION OFFICE
Bhalbhavan Premissis, Near Onake Obavva Stadium, Chitradurga
e-mail: dcpucta@gmail.com Phone No: 08194-295822
No:DCPU/CTA/CWC-JJB/NOTI/22-23 Date:18-11-2022

NOTIFICATION

IN THE DISTRICT OF CHITRADURGA APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED FOR THE SELECTION OF CHAIRPERSONS AND MEMBERS OF CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEES (CWC) AND SOCIAL WORKER MEMBERS OF JUVENILE JUSTICE BOARD (JJB).

The Directorate of Child Protection have received applications as per the Notification dated:13-10-2020, 30-01-2021 and 14-07-2022 for the selection of Chairpersons and Members of Child Welfare Committee and Social Worker Members of Juvenile Justice Boards.

Government of India have amended the existing Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act 2015 and Model Rules 2016 which is in effect from 01-09-2022. Hence application are invited form eligible candidate as per the amended Act and Rules. **The applicants who have already submitted the application for the above post need not re apply.**

Name of the position	Tenure	Eligibility Criteria
Chairperson/ Member of the Child Welfare Committee	3 years	As per Section 27 of the Juvenile Justice (care and protection of children) Act, 2021 & Rule 15 (3) of the Model Rules, 2022:"The candidate shall be above the age of 35 years and not more than 65 Years on the last date of submission of the application.And Shall have a **a degree** in Child Psychology or Psychiatry or law or Social Work or sociology or human health or education or human development or special education for differently abled children and has been actively involved in health education or welfare activities pertaining to children for 7 years **or**"The applicant should be a practicing professional with a degree on the above said subject.
Social Worker Members for the Juvenile Justice Board	3 years	**As per Section 4 of the Juvenile Justice (care and protection of children) Act, 2021 & Rules 4 of the Model Rules, 2022**"The applicant shall be above the age of 35 years and not 65 Years on the last date of submission of the application. And shall have **at least 07 years of experience of working with children** in the field of education, health, or welfare activities, **orand should be a practicing professional** with a degree in Child Psychology or Psychiatry or sociology or in the field of law."

The applications may send their applications in the prescribed format personally or by registered post from Dt:18-11-2022 to Dt:03-12-2022 on or before 5:30 pm to the Director, Directorate of Child Protection & Member Secretary, State Level Selection Committee, 3rd Floor, Vishveswaraiah Mini Tower, Dr.Ambedkar Veedhi, Bengaluru-560001.

Note: 1.The selection of Chairperson/Members of Child Welfare Committees and Social Worker Members of Juvenile Justice Board will be as per the amended **Juvenile Justice (care and protection of children) Act, 2021 & Rules 4 of the Model Rules, 2022** (2) The applicant who have worked as member in child welfare committee can all so apply (3) **The prescribed application form for Juvenile Justice Board and Child Welfare Committee is available in all districts District Child Protection Unit and also available in Directorate of Child Protection website www.icps.karnataka.gov.in**. (4) Incomplete Applications or those received after due date shall not be entertained. (5) The Director, Directorate of Child Protection & Member Secretary, State Level Selection Committee reserve the right to reject any or all applications without assigning any reason. (6) Applicants shortlisted for the interview will be intimated with scheduled interview date and also the list will be uploaded in the **Directorate website**. (7) Applicant to contact District Child Protection Officer, District Child Protection Office, Chitradurga 08194-235899. Details are available in the Directorate website **www.icps.karnataka.gov.in**

The Directorate of Child Protection is not responsible for any information published by any other private web portal/carrier portal or any other media.

DIPR/CTA/MCA/708/2022-23

Sd/- District Child Protection Officer
District Child Protection Unit, Chitradurga.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that our client intends to purchase the Schedule Property from its present owner **Mrs. Rashida Askari** W/o. **Anis Askari.**

Any person/s having any claim, right, title or interest over the schedule property or any objections to the proposed purchase, may file their objections in writing along with copies of supporting documents to the undersigned within 14 days from the date of this publication, failing which our client will be advised to go ahead and complete the sale formalities

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Property bearing **Site No.11**, in I.T.I. Notified Area, bearing Khata No. 279/4/117/1, situated at Kowdenahalli, R.M. Nagar, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, measuring East to West 30 Feet and North to South 40 Feet, totally measuring 1200 Sq. Ft., and bounded on East by Private Property, West by Site No.10, North by Private Property, and South by 25 Feet Road.

Sd/- **Akhila & Associates, Advocates**
#121, LRDE Layout Doddanekkundi, Marathahalli, Bangalore-560037.
Phone: 9741300393

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Sri. K. Kumar S/o Krishnappa intend to purchase the Schedule Property more fully described in the Schedule hereunder from its owners Sri Thimmegowda S/o Late Ramanna who is the owner of Item No.1 and Smt. G.K Kavitha W/o Sri.Thimmegowda, owner of Item No.2, both are resident of Beeraganahalli, Yedeyur Hobli, Kunigal Tq., Tumkur Dist., and enter into Agreement of Sale. Any person/s having any right, title, lien, interest, claim, share, over or in the Schedule Property or objecting to the proposed purchase may lodge their claim/objections in writing with all the supporting documents with the undersigned within 10 days hereof, failing which, it would be presumed that there are no objections / claims and my client would proceed for registration of the Schedule property. Objections received thereafter will not bind my clients whatsoever.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ITEM No.1 : All the part and parcel of the Agricultural land bearing Sy.No.103 (Old Sy.No.21/3) measuring 3 Acres (Three Acre), situated at Thattekere Village, Yediyur Hobli, Kunigal Taluk, Tumkur District., bounded on

East by: Land of Govindappa S/o late Narayanappa, **West by:** Land of Smt.Kavitha W/o Thimmegowda, **North by:** Government Land, **South by:** Land of Sri.C.N Venkatesh S/o Late Nanjaiah.

ITEM No.2 : All the part and parcel of the Agricultural land bearing Sy.No.99 (Old Sy.No.21) measuring 1 Acre 08 Guntas (One Acre Eight Guntas), situated at Thattekere Village, Yediyur Hobli, Kunigal Taluk, Tumkur District granted vide Saguvali Certificate dated 22.2.2003 and bounded on:

East by: Land of Thimmegowda S/o Ramanna, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Government Land **South by:** Government Land.

M. ASHOK KUMAR, Advocate
No.4, 2nd Floor, H.H.S Complex, Cubbonpet Main Road, Bangalore-560 002.

Signs of trouble

Coimbatore and Mangaluru explosions point to India's Islamist challenge

The blast in Mangaluru in Karnataka on November 19 is a troubling sign of the radicalisation among a section of Muslims. Mohammed Shariq, who was allegedly carrying the improvised explosive device (IED) in a pressure cooker in an autorickshaw, may be linked to the Islamic State, at least ideologically, according to investigators. The police have searched at least seven places in Karnataka and are investigating his possible links with Jameesha Mubin who was killed in a blast in his own car in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu on October 23. Shariq had travelled to several places in Tamil Nadu and Kerala, and according to the police, experimented with a bomb in Shivamogga district on September 21. His two accomplices were caught but he managed to evade the police and resurfaced in Mysuru where he continued to build an explosive device. The police believe that the accused – he suffered severe burn injuries in the blast – will survive and reveal more information. The accused was in touch with multiple handlers who may have been involved in the Coimbatore blast too. Investigators had recovered 75 kg of explosives from the house of Mubin. The real extent of the capacity, the intent and the connections of these two incidents remain a matter of investigation, but what is known so far itself is enough cause for worry.

Coastal Karnataka, where Mangaluru falls, has been in the grip of competitive communalism, where Hindu and Muslim outfits have upped the ante in recent years. The Centre has noted a countrywide decline in terrorism incidents in recent years, particularly of 'jihadi terrorism', a category that was introduced in the report of the National Crime Records Bureau, in 2017. Government data say terror incidents have been contained in Jammu and Kashmir, the North East and Left Wing Extremism (LWE)-affected States. In fact, there have been no incidents of terrorism in any part of the country outside of these conflict zones for several years now. Vigilance and the efficiency of investigative agencies can prevent terrorist incidents, but maintaining peace and social harmony is a larger political challenge. The operational links between the blasts in Coimbatore and Mangaluru are being probed, but regardless of the findings on that count, they are certainly linked to the extent that both point to the underlying security challenges before the country. Political rhetoric over the Coimbatore and Mangaluru blasts does more harm than good, but the fact is that India, now under a Hindu majoritarian government, has an Islamist challenge.

Laws and rules

Kerala must bring individual varsities in line with UGC regulations

The Left Democratic Front government in Kerala is bringing a Bill to remove the Governor, Arif Mohammed Khan, as the Chancellor of State-run universities after repeated run-ins with him. On Monday, Mr. Khan, signalling his intent to stall any such legislation, asserted that the post of Chancellor was bestowed on the Governor by way of a 'national consensus', which State governments are powerless to challenge. It is likely that he would sit on the Bill, just as he has put aside the Kerala Lok Ayukta (Amendment) Act, 2022, and the University Laws (Amendment) Act, 2022. Mr. Khan chose to put on notice Vice-Chancellors (VC) of 11 of Kerala's universities last month, shortly after the Supreme Court of India set aside the appointment of the VC to the A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Technological University on the grounds that it had flouted University Grants Commission (UGC) Regulations that prescribed that the search committee, constituted in line with UGC Regulations, recommends a panel of at least three candidates to the Chancellor. Last week, the Kerala High Court pulled the plug on the appointment of the VC to the Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies, objecting to the composition of the search committee and its recommendation of a single name to the VC's post. The contention that it was an 'agricultural university' where UGC norms would not apply failed to find traction with the court. An appeal is in the apex court now.

These rulings point to the immediate need for Kerala to review the statutes governing individual universities in the State recognised under Section 12(B) of the UGC Act of 1956 and bring them in line with the UGC Regulations given that the Supreme Court has upheld their prevailing over the provisions of State University Acts. Legal questions on the preponderance of the UGC norms in the administration of specific universities such as an agricultural university are something for the courts to settle. But recriminations over these appointments have lowered the standards of public discourse. Read alongside his diatribes against an elected government and *ad hominem* attacks on its Chief Minister, Mr. Khan's intransigent use of his constitutional authority to gun for VCs smacks of political interests and does not pass the test of federal principles enshrined in the Constitution. If anything, the public row and the spate of litigation have marred the functioning of universities as evident from the administrative impasse at the A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Technological University, where the appointment of a temporary VC by the Governor has been challenged in court. Meanwhile, fresh graduates are worried about getting their degree certificates. At stake is the interest of students seeking higher education.

The dissenting judgment versus the razing of equality

Jayna Kothari

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It is after many years that we have a judgment which elaborates on the meaning of equality under India's Constitution in its true and expansive spirit. Here I am not referring to the majority judgment in the Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) case, but the minority opinion of the Chief Justice of India (CJI) U.U. Lalit (now former CJI) and Justice Ravindra Bhat. It may be a dissenting judgment but it gives us strength to fight for the promise of equality which forms the core of the Constitution.

The 103rd Amendment inserting Articles 15 (6) and 16(6) to the Constitution, permits 10% reservation in educational institutions and public employment for those from the EWS. This reservation explicitly excludes persons from the Scheduled Castes (SC), Scheduled Tribes (ST) and the Other Backward Classes (OBC) categories. The majority judgment of Justices Dinesh Maheshwari, Bela M. Trivedi and J.B. Pardiwala upheld the constitutionality of the amendment and held that such exclusion was justified because the SC, ST and OBC categories had reservations under Articles 15(4), 15(5) and 16(4). They held that a 'mere violation of the rule of equality does not violate the basic structure of the Constitution unless the violation is shocking, an unconscionable or unscrupulous travesty of the quintessence of equal justice' and that 'if any constitutional amendment moderately abridges or alters the equality principles, it cannot be said to be a violation of the basic structure'.

This brings us to the principle of equality and its place in the Constitution. Can the guarantee of equality be violated and if so, would the identity of the Constitution survive? The Supreme Court of India has held that in understanding what forms part of the 'basic structure' of the Constitution, that inviolable part which can never be tampered with or altered, equality is an integral part of it. It is one of those core features without which the Constitution will not be recognisable and can never be taken away, however 'minor' such violation may be.

Turning intersectionality on its head

If poverty is the criterion for reservation, it is a matter of record that the bulk of the poor in the country are from Dalit, Adivasi and Bahujan communities due to centuries of stigma and discrimination they have experienced. How can they be excluded based on their caste status? The dissenting judgment eloquently recognises that human beings do not exist in separate distinct 'silos'. A person who is poor, would also most likely be from an oppressed caste background, minority religion, female or may have a disability, and in fact many of these conditions may be the reason for her poverty. The UN Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights recognises that "discrimination may cause poverty, just as poverty may cause discrimination".

> In the Supreme Court of India's verdict on the economically weaker sections case, it is the dissenting judgment that imparts strength to fight for the promise of equality forming the core of the Constitution

The EWS amendment turns the theory of intersectionality on its head. The concept of intersectionality is a lens for seeing the way in which various forms of inequalities often operate together and exacerbate each other. Crenshaw argues that we may talk about race or caste inequality as separate from inequality based on gender, class, sexuality or disability, but fail to see how some people can be often subject to all of these, and the experience is not just the sum of its parts. Instead of recognising the aggravated discrimination faced by persons at the intersections of caste and poverty, the EWS amendment punishes them for being at the intersections. By excluding the SC and ST communities, the amendment actively discriminates against them. Justice Bhat and CJI Lalit point out painfully that if poverty is the criteria for reservation, then can it be justified that an Adivasi girl would not be entitled to such opportunity because she already has existing reservations, although she falls under the EWS description? It would amount to her gender and Adivasi status being used to discriminate against her and from denying her the opportunities for the EWS. They argue that this convenient way of putting people within "silos" fails to locate the individual within a collective and reduces her visibility in the debate. Reservations on the basis of caste in Articles 15(4) and 16(4) are not privileges or benefits, but reparative measures meant to level the field for communities facing social stigmatisation. To use this as a ground to deny EWS reservation to the poorest, based on their social backwardness and legally acknowledged caste stigmatisation, the dissent held that it would amount to discrimination which is prohibited under the Constitution.

The essence of equality

The dissent also makes the link between equality, non-discrimination and the abolition of untouchability. First, it recognises the importance of Article 15(1) or the obligation of non-discrimination on the grounds of caste, race, sex, religion and place of birth as an integral part of the Equality Code. This is important, because Article 15(1) has been one of the least used Articles in our Equality Code. Courts have historically been reluctant to give a finding of discrimination on any of the prohibited grounds under Article 15(1). Second, the dissent reiterates the importance of Article 17 on the abolition of untouchability in any form. It recognizes that Article 17 imposes an obligation on the state to prohibit caste discrimination in any manner and is not only part of the Equality Code but indeed the entire framework of the Constitution. Thus, the dissent states that the obligation not to exclude or discriminate against SC/ST communities by reason of the express provisions in Articles 17 and 15(1) constitutes the essence of equality, and this can be said to be part of the basic structure of the Constitution. This is by far the most crucial part of the dissenting judgment, and we would all be at a loss if we fail to recognise its importance.

The UN Special Rapporteur on Extreme Poverty and Human Rights, Olivier de Schutter in his latest report states that prohibitions of discrimination generally focus on status-based discrimination on grounds such as sex, caste, race or ethnicity, religion, age, disability or sexual orientation. These grounds are deemed particularly "suspect" because they are largely immutable. The report states that recognising these status-based horizontal inequalities is essential since victims of discrimination on the grounds of status are disproportionately represented among people living in poverty.

Poverty or socio-economic disadvantage would be a useful marker for reservations, but can poverty have exclusions on the basis of caste? The dissent holds that the Equality Code under Articles 14, 15, 16 and 17 of the Constitution promotes the inclusiveness of all sections of society, and the EWS amendment which excludes people based on their caste would destroy our constitutional ethos of non-discrimination.

I would argue that the upholding of the 103rd Amendment, which is sought to benefit persons on the ground of poverty and excludes members of communities which faced continual discrimination and whom poverty afflicts in the most aggravated form, marks the annihilation of equality under the Constitution. It will open doors to only creating more exclusions and distinctions within our society and may lead to damaging the very identity and the soul of the Constitution.

Fireproofing India from global turbulence

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Firefighting and fireproofing as national responses to crises are concepts that merit serious study in the emerging global geopolitical, geo-economic and security landscapes. Firefighting attaches itself to reactive responses to crises that arise from a lack of preparedness, lack of capacity, lack of national will and cohesion between different instruments of statecraft.

These are among several other factors that could act singly, or coalesce together to dent national power significantly. Notwithstanding its measured success and steady growth in several areas, India is no stranger to firefighting in domains as diverse as fixing societal fault lines, plugging economic fissures and scrambling to recover from national security setbacks. In some cases, governments in power have ridden on the resilience of the Indian people to mitigate the adverse effects of the crisis. In others, good leadership, albeit reactive in nature, has often stopped the spread of the fire and initiated measures that have helped in ensuring better preparedness for future contingencies.

Specific issues and strategies

It is now time to reflect on whether a transforming India with visions of a five trillion dollar and a 10 trillion-dollar economy in the decades ahead, needs to reflect hard on developing fireproofing strategies to insulate itself sufficiently from the plethora of crises raging across the world, all of which have the potential to slow down or even derail India's rise in the decade ahead. While globalisation essentially led to widespread economic prosperity, it also forced countries to peel off some of the inbuilt insulation that existed within the international economic order and created several vulnerabilities.

While extremism, hyper-nationalism, the unequal distribution of wealth, migration and the adverse impacts of climate change are fissures that have impacted the whole world and need to be addressed globally, there are specific ones that individual nations need to develop strategies to counter. If 'stormy seas', repeated references to security challenges and Black Swan/Grey Rhino events and winning local wars dominated Chinese leader Xi Jinping's discourse during the recently concluded 20th National Congress of the Chinese Communist Party, it is evident that there is a tacit acceptance within the second most powerful nation on the planet that difficult days are ahead.

> Notwithstanding the resilience of the Indian people, much fireproofing is needed within Indian society and the information domain for the country to stand firm

Two races to handle

How does India go about navigating the next few years? Does it have the capacity to run two races simultaneously: the first one being the long distance one of achieving the status of a developed country by 2047, and the second one being the more daunting middle-distance run that has already begun in the backdrop of the Russia-Ukraine crisis and growing Chinese power that seeks undiluted regional hegemony and power-parity with the United States at the global level? Fireproofing is one such strategy that India needs to consider across the Diplomacy, Information, Military and Economics (DIME) paradigm, with an added S that encompasses Society and creates a DIMES challenge for India to navigate.

While strategic autonomy in a multi-polar world may be an aspirational outcome, with balancing and hedging emerging as key Indian diplomatic strategies, the limits of Indian national power in the face of an exponential rise in China's national power cannot be hard to perceive. Hard choices will have to be made on the recalibration of existing strategic partnerships and exploring alliances.

While there is optimism on the economic front that India is resilient enough to weather a global energy crisis or a financial depression, there is still considerable distress at the bottom of the pyramid. This is where the fireproofing of the economy in the medium term must concentrate on poverty alleviation on a war footing; universal education and health care; creation of jobs and raising the other parameters of the human development index. This is where India's economic insulation lies.

On deterrence

From globalisation to heightened securitisation is where the world is headed. Deterrence has always been at the heart of India's fireproofing against both internal and external threats since Independence. However, the flavour of deterrence has largely been reactive and rarely kept pace with the rapidly changing character of war and mechanisms of internal dissent. There have been attempts in recent times to migrate to a more proactive and even preventive strategy of deterrence, though a lack of capacity and doctrinal guidance will hamper this in complex situations. It is considered that credible coercive capabilities against external threats and better strategic communication to plug internal fissures and cracks should form the heart of fireproofing strategies in the security realm.

Notwithstanding the resilience of the Indian people, significant fireproofing is needed within Indian society and the information domain to stand firm in the face of multiple fissiparous vulnerabilities. Evolving societies are subject to periodic churn, and in India's case this churn has coincided with several events on the global stage such as the weaponisation of the information domain and social media.

With its large and ethnically diverse population, multi-religious, multi-cultural and multi-lingual demographic profile, staying cohesive will present the biggest challenge to India's leaders. And this demands sagacity and statesmanship of the highest order if India is to stay the course over the next decade.

Fireproofing will not be easy; it will demand greater discipline from the Indian people. However, this will be a small price for India to pay for staying on track in pursuit of its core national interests.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The fight against terror

The Coimbatore blast and now the blast in Mangaluru show that there are terror modules waiting to cause mayhem. It is imperative for the State and central agencies to work in tandem, for which strong political will is necessary. With India holding a 'No Money For Terror' ministerial conference, New Delhi must take the lead in the fight against terror. India must use various platforms.

Harshvardhan Salunkhe,
Vasai Virar, Maharashtra

It is clear that the shoots of terrorism are emerging and that steps need to be taken in the South to clip them soon. The Chief Ministers of the States concerned must initiate steps to go after terror cells. The South is a haven of peace and there can be no plots to disrupt the tranquillity.

Mani Natarajan,
Chennai

At Doha

Qatar's maiden World Cup game came to nought in Doha. In its match with Ecuador, it was clearly a match of unequals. The themed opening ceremony was enthralling and the world's grandest sporting carnival is sure to keep football buffs entertained.

N.J. Ravi Chander,
Bengaluru

After a dazzling opening ceremony, it was disappointing to have the home team going down to Ecuador. But Qataris can take solace and pride in staging the world's most-favoured sporting event on their soil.

Prabhu Raj R.,
Bengaluru

Collegium, the Constitution

The Supreme Court Collegium claiming exclusive power in the appointment of High Court and Supreme Court judges and the transfer of High Court judges has come in for a lot of criticism. Article 222 of the Constitution, a special constitutional provision, providing for the transfer of judges from one High Court to another, gives the impression that it is to be used rarely.

Unfortunately, it is being used so frequently with the collegium treating HC judges as government servants, forgetting the fact that they are constitutional appointees who require more than sufficient protection.

There are also observations that deserving persons have been ignored wholly for subjective reasons.

Nonetheless, the collegium system has come to stay. The only way forward to improve the system is by having transparency, accountability and objectivity.

N.G.R. Prasad,
Chennai

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The geoheritage value of Ram Setu

On November 10, the Supreme Court gave the Centre four weeks' time to file a response clarifying its stand on a plea by former Rajya Sabha MP Subramanian Swamy seeking national heritage status for the 'Ram Setu'.

While the story of the controversial Sethusamudram Ship Channel Project (SSCP) can be traced back to the British, who proposed creating a channel to link the Palk Strait with the Gulf of Mannar, it was only in 2005 that the project was inaugurated. Separating the shallow sea consisting of the Gulf of Mannar in the south and Palk Bay in the north is a somewhat linear coral ridge called Adam's Bridge or Ram Setu. This runs between Rameswaram in Tamil Nadu and Thalaimannar in Sri Lanka. The SSCP, if completed, is expected to considerably reduce the navigation time between the east and west coasts of India.

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Concerns about the project

Though the CSIR-National Environmental Engineering Research Institute ruled out any serious environmental risk and certified the feasibility of the project, concerns have been raised on the stability of the proposed channel and its environmental impact. Computer models suggest that the central, eastern and north-eastern parts of the Palk Bay may be impacted by waves of higher energy. This means that these areas also receive more sediment, rendering them more turbid. The models also indicate that waves enter the Bay from its north and south, corresponding to how the channel is aligned.

The area is also vulnerable to cyclonic storms. A cyclone in 1964 was so powerful that it wiped out the town of Dhanushkodi. Such storms can cause the local sedimentary dynamics to go haywire. Finding safe places for dumping dredged material without harming terrestrial or marine ecosystems is therefore a big challenge. Emissions from ships traversing the narrow channel will pollute the air and water. And if a rogue ship carrying oil or coal is grounded or strays from its course within the canal, it could cause an ecological disaster. While environmental groups have been protesting against the project for the huge environmental cost it would entail, religious groups have been opposing it as they believe that the structure, which is mentioned in the Ramayana, is of religious significance.

In 2003, space-based investigations, using satellite remote sensing imagery, by researchers at the Space Applications Centre in Ahmedabad concluded that Ram Setu is not man-made, "but comprises 103 small patch reefs lying in a linear pattern with reef crest, sand cays and intermittent deep channels". Cays, also known as keys, refer to low-elevation islands situated on surfaces made of coral reef. Thus, it is reasonable to assume that Ram Setu is a linear ridge made of coral reefs and forms a shallow part of the ocean that is being constantly impacted by sedimentation processes. Like the Great Barrier Reef, the Ram Setu is also a continuous stretch of limestone shoals that runs from Pamban Island near Rameswaram to the Mannar Island on the northern coast of Sri Lanka.

During a global glaciation period that began around 2.6 million years ago and ended 11,700 years ago, the Indian coast, including parts of the Sethusamudram, may have been raised above water. The post-glaciation period witnessed a steady rise in sea levels around the world. The coral polyps could once again have grown higher on the newly submerged platforms. And in time, the platforms may have been used by migrants to cross oceans. The Ramayana refers to a putative land bridge in this region; believers hold it as the structure that Lord Rama and his army built to reach Lanka. This ridge may have been used in the distant past as a migratory route.

Need for protection

The coral reef platforms between Thoothukudi and Rameswaram in the Gulf of Mannar were notified as a marine biosphere reserve in 1989. More than 36,000 species of flora and fauna reportedly live there, flanked by mangroves and sandy shores which are considered conducive for turtles to nest. This is also a breeding ground for fish, lobsters, shrimps and crabs. Of the 600 recorded varieties of fish in the region, 70 are said to be commercially important. This area is already threatened by discharge from thermal plants, brine run-off from salt pans, and illegal mining of corals. The SSCP, if it becomes a reality, will be the final blow to this sensitive environment and to the livelihoods of the people there.

While considering this issue from a believer's point of view, it is also important to consider this feature from a 'geoheritage' perspective. The geoheritage paradigm is used in nature conservation to preserve the natural diversity of significant geological features. It accepts the fact that geodiversity, consisting of varied landforms and features representative of dynamical natural processes, is under threat from human activities and needs protection. The natural heritage of a country includes its geological heritage. The value of abiotic factors like geology, soils and landforms is also recognised for their roles in supporting habitats for biodiversity. India's 'tryst with destiny' does not begin at Harappa or the Vedic Period; it goes back billions of years when the Indian tectonic plate moved thousands of kilometres from the south of the equator to its present location. The Ram Setu carries the unique geological imprints of an eventful past. Therefore, it needs to be preserved not just as a national heritage monument, but also as a geoheritage structure as defined from a scientific perspective.

The Ram Setu needs to be preserved not just as a national heritage monument, but as a geoheritage structure

A stalemate over teachers' recruitment

There is no clear reason for the Governor's delay in giving assent to the Bill

STATE OF PLAY

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It has been two months since the Telangana Assembly passed the Telangana Universities Common Recruitment Board Bill, but the Governor is yet to give her assent. Normally, the Governor gives his/her assent within a few days of a Bill being passed in the Assembly, but in this case, the Governor said she sought some clarifications from the government.

The issue soon snowballed into a controversy with the government denying having received any communication from the Governor's office. The Governor's office then released evidence of having asked for clarifications, which forced the Education Minister to accept that the government had indeed received the letter from the Governor. The Education Minister, the Education Secretary, the Collegiate Education Commissioner, and the Telangana State Council of Higher Education Chairman then met the Governor in what officials described as a "cordial" meeting. The Minister apparently met the Governor to clarify the government's position. The ball is now in the Governor's court.

The Governor was also apparently irked that student groups, affiliated to the ruling party in the State, were threatening to lay siege to the Raj Bhavan for not clearing Bills, including the teachers' recruitment Bill. She believes the student groups were prompted by the Pragathi Bhavan – the office-cum-residence of the Chief Minister.

It was after aspirants moved the court with allegations of corruption, favouritism and political influence affecting appointments that the government decided to move away from the earlier practice of allowing universities to recruit teachers and instead establish a common recruitment board. The new Bill proposes a recruitment test along the lines of the test set by the Union Public Service Commission. It proposes a merit list to be forwarded to the universities, so that they can conduct interviews and select applicants. The government argues that this will effectively curtail any undue influence from the Vice-Chancellors, who were earlier accused of using money and influence to select certain candidates.

The government says that a combined recruitment test will also avoid duplication and thus expedite the recruitment process. B. Vinod Kumar, vice chairman of the State Planning Board Commission, explained that earlier, candidates would go to several universities for interviews, conducted within a few months or years. "Some of them would get selected to two or three universities and then leave the existing one for a better option. So, vacancies would arise again," he said. This also led to complications in applying the roster system based on which vacancies are declared for open and reserved categories.

The government argues that this new method will ensure that the best talent is recruited in every university. Aspirants will have to give their options before the interviews. Allotments will then be decided based on merit. This model has been a success in some States such as Bihar. A committee, which was earlier constituted by the government to study this process, had submitted its recommendations favouring recruitment through a board. It suggested that 65% of the total weightage be given to the screening test and 35% to research publications and other academic experiences; and of the 35%, about 10% be earmarked for the interview to negate any influence on the final outcome.

Those opposing the Bill argue that the autonomy of universities will be compromised and the norms of the University Grants Commission will be violated. The government argues that varsities will still have autonomy as they will finally select the candidate. The government says it is merely providing universities a pool to choose from.

The board will consist of four bureaucrats and will be headed by the Chairman of the Telangana State Council of Higher Education, an academic. It will frame the guidelines for the test. Some teachers say bureaucrats will have too much influence over the process. The government argues that this will ensure that politicians don't have a role in selections. The Governor apparently raised the same issues with the Education Minister.

The confrontation continues despite the government clarifying its position. Its intention seems right, while the reason for the Governor's continued delay is unclear. Meanwhile, the aspirants for the 1,061 posts that the government plans to fill up eagerly wait for an early solution.

Potential upsets and close games in Round 1 of the World Cup

The biggest possible upset in this World Cup would be Cameroon beating Brazil

DATA POINT

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The first round of the FIFA World Cup is considered to be the least thrilling in the tournament given the potentially wide gap in quality between the competing teams. The groups are designed such that two strong teams don't feature in the same lot. However, such matches can be exciting too. Some David versus Goliath matches lead to stunning defeats of the giants of the game. And when a lower-ranked team plays against a similarly ranked nation, the game may turn out to be gripping, given that there are no favourites to start with. Such encounters may also take place in the 2022 FIFA World Cup's group-stage games. We look at each contest in the group-stage matches to assess the possible competitiveness based on Elo ratings.

Elo ratings are used to measure a team's relative strength. The Elo system assigns a rating to each nation, using the results of previous international games. It adds weight based on the opponent's strength and makes adjustments for the home team advantage and the goal difference. For this analysis, the Elo ratings at the start of each World Cup were considered.

For instance, the group-stage match between England and Iran on Monday would have been considered an "upset" had Iran won the game. This is because Iran's Elo rating was 1,797 – 123 points less than England's rating of 1,920 – at the start of the tournament. However, England won emphatically, scoring six goals in the game against Iran's two. In other words, this was not an upset, but an expected win.

Table 1 shows the difference in the Elo ratings of teams that are playing against each other in the group stages. A higher number corresponds to a bigger difference in Elo ratings between two nations – in other words "predictable" fixtures. A smaller number points to closely fought battles as the Elo difference is lower.

The biggest possible upset in this World Cup would be if Cameroon won against Brazil on December 3 in the Group G game. Cameroon's rating of 1,610 was 559 points behind that of Brazil (2,169). If Saudi Arabia beats Argentina in today's Group C game, that would count as the second biggest upset in terms of the Elo difference (508 points).

Group B games are expected to be close encounters as the U.S., Iran and Wales are closely ranked – all of them have relatively low ELO ratings. On the other hand, Group H games are expected to be more predictable, given the wide variation in rankings.

If Elo ratings alone helped predict outcomes, then Brazil is the favourite to win the World Cup as it leads the pack with 2,169 points. While it is wildly improbable for Saudi Arabia to beat Argentina, World Cup games have often witnessed stranger-than-fiction upsets in the past. Chart 2 plots the difference between the Elo ratings of two teams competing in previous World Cups, in matches won by the lower-rated side.

The biggest shock came in 1950, when a hastily assembled team of part-time players from the U.S. beat a favourite, England, thanks to Haitian-born centre-forward Joe Gaetjens' goal. The difference in Elo ratings was 496 points.

In the previous edition in Russia (2018), South Korea beat Germany 2-0 in the group stage, registering the fourth biggest upset after the U.S.'s win against England in 1950, Algeria's win against West Germany in 1982, and Senegal's victory against France in 2002. However, soon after the South-Korea Germany match, Russia won against Spain in the Round of 16 in the penalties and took the fourth spot as this was an even bigger upset than the one Germany faced.

Elo ratings of group-stage games

The table shows the difference in Elo ratings between two competing teams in the group stage. The chart shows the FIFA World Cup's biggest upsets in terms of Elo rating differences. The data are sourced from eloratings.net

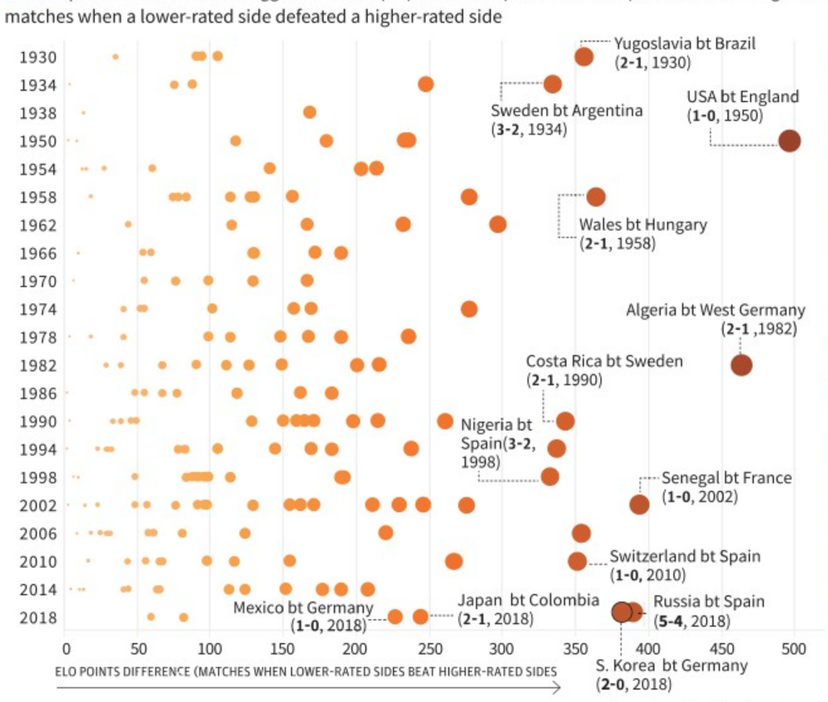
Table 1 | The higher the number (both positive and negative), the more "predictable" the fixtures. The lower the number (closer to zero), the more "closely fought" the battles. Closer games | Predictable fixtures

Group A	Ecuador	Qatar	Senegal	Dutch
Ecuador	X	+153	+146	-207
Qatar	-153	X	-7	-360
Senegal	-146	+7	X	-353
Dutch	+207	+360	+353	X
Group B	England	U.S.	Iran	Wales
England	X	+122	+123	+130
U.S.	-122	X	+1	+8
Iran	-123	-1	X	+7
Wales	-130	-8	-7	X
Group C	Arg.	S. Arabia	Mexico	Poland
Arg.	X	+508	+334	+329
S. Arabia	-508	X	-174	-179
Mexico	-334	+174	X	-5
Poland	-329	+179	+5	X
Group D	France	Aus.	Denmark	Tunisia
France	X	+286	+34	+298
Aus.	-286	X	-252	+12
Denmark	-34	+252	X	+264
Tunisia	-298	-12	-264	X

Group E	Spain	Costa.	Germany	Japan
Spain	X	+305	+85	+261
Costa.	-305	X	-220	-44
Germany	-85	+220	X	+176
Japan	-261	+44	-176	X
Group F	Belgium	Canada	Morocco	Croatia
Belgium	X	+231	+241	+80
Canada	-231	X	+10	-151
Morocco	-241	-10	X	-161
Croatia	-80	+151	161	X
Group G	Brazil	Serbia	Switz.	Cam.
Brazil	X	+271	+267	+559
Serbia	-271	X	-4	+288
Switz.	-267	+4	X	+292
Cam.	-559	-288	-292	X
Group H	Portugal	Ghana	Uruguay	S. Korea
Portugal	X	+439	+70	+220
Ghana	-439	X	-369	-219
Uruguay	-70	+369	X	+150
S. Korea	-220	+219	-150	X

Arg. = Argentina | Aus. = Australia | Costa. = Costa Rica | Switz. = Switzerland, Cam. = Cameroon | Dutch = Netherlands

Chart 2 | The chart shows the biggest World Cup upsets in the past. The chart plots the Elo rating difference between two teams in matches when a lower-rated side defeated a higher-rated side



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FROM THE ARCHIVES
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FIFTY YEARS AGO NOVEMBER 22, 1972

Pak. to let 10,000 Bengali women and children return

New Delhi, Nov. 21: The Pakistan Government has decided to allow 10,000 Bengali women and children held up in Pakistan since the liberation of Bangladesh to return home an official spokesman said in Rawalpindi to-day. The announcement was reported by Radio Pakistan in an Urdu broadcast monitored here. The radio quoted the spokesman as saying a formal reply to the offer by India and Bangladesh to return the wives and children of Pakistani civilian internees and of prisoners of war would be sent soon. The Governments of India and Bangladesh had announced yesterday that as a gesture of goodwill they had decided to allow the family members of the civilian internees who had sought protection and of the prisoners to return home. In making the announcement, they had expressed the hope that the Pakistan Government "will act in the same humanitarian spirit and allow families of all Bangladesh nationals who are detained or held up in Pakistan to return to Bangladesh." The announcement had said that on receiving a positive response from Pakistan arrangements would be made to give effect to the proposal on both sides expeditiously.

A HUNDRED YEARS AGO NOVEMBER 22, 1922

In America

Leafield (Oxford) Midnight, Nov. 22: An interesting claim which is being made by the British Government against the United States has been submitted to an arbitration commission provided for under the Treaty of 1910. In the British American war of 1812 a powerful Red Indian tribe, the Cayugas, co-operated with Great Britain. Four years previously they had ceded their lands to the State of New York for an annuity of 2,400 dollars. The Peace Treaty that ended the war, stipulated that Britain's allies sacrifice none of their rights. At the outbreak of the war, however, the State of New York had stopped the annuity to the Cayugas and has not paid it since. Some descendants of Cayugas are living, mostly in Canada and on their behalf the British Government claims arrears of payment with compound interest amounting to a total of about £700,000.

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CJI, Collegium judges meet protesting lawyers

"He [the CJI] has responded positively. He said they have to discuss and take a decision," Mr. Narendar said.

The Telangana lawyers said Chief Justice Chandrachud had agreed to visit the State High Court soon. Asked what they found problematic about the proposed transfer of Justice Reddy, Mr. Narendar said, "The Collegium has taken a pick-and-choose method." He said Justice Reddy was one of the senior-most judges on the Telangana High Court Bench. Though a statement issued by the Telangana lawyers said they would resume work from Tuesday, the Gujarat lawyers said they would decide after a meeting. The Supreme Court did not issue any statement on the meetings.

Trouble began when Gujarat High Court lawyers launched a protest against Justice Kariel's transfer from their court to Patna. They termed it the "death of the independence of the judiciary". The Gujarat High Court Advocates' Association passed a resolution against his transfer, describing Justice Kariel as the "finest, upright, honest and unbiased" judge. The protest spread to Telangana with High Court lawyers boycotting work.

Madras High Court lawyers, too, have expressed their displeasure over the reported recommendation to transfer Acting Chief Justice T. Raja to Rajasthan. The Collegium's resolutions, incidentally, have still not been published. The latest one, which was published on Tuesday, is a September 29 recommendation of the Collegium to transfer another Gujarat High Court judge, Justice Vipul Manubhai Pancholi, also to Patna High Court. The uploading of Collegium resolutions is part of the Supreme Court's internal transparency drive to remove the cloak of secrecy over the Collegium's functioning.

On Saturday, addressing the Bar Council of India and lawyers from across the country, Chief Justice Chandrachud hoped for "a sense of harmony and balance" to prevail during his tenure. He said consumers of justice suffer when lawyers' strike. The Chief Justice said, sometimes, "tough decisions" have to be taken to make the country a better place. Law Minister Kiren Rijiju was blunt, cautioning protesting lawyers that when "things become too loud in terms of putting forward demands, it has a risk of taking a different turn".

'Accused influenced by global terror outfit'

"We are checking to whom he sent this photo and whether this was a suicide bombing mission or not," the police official added. Shariq's family members visited the hospital where he is being treated, and identified him. He has suffered over 40% burns in the blast and is being treated in the intensive care unit. He is yet to be questioned.

Meanwhile, the police have searched seven places, including in Mangaluru, Mysuru and Shivamogga, and detained four persons, said to be Shariq's associates, with whom he was in touch since September. One of them is from Udhagamandalam in Tamil Nadu, two are from Mysuru and one is from Mangaluru.

T.N. police roped in

"The probe is now spread all across Karnataka. The Tamil Nadu Police are also cooperating with us. We are also in touch with Central agencies," Mr. Kumar said. He said the police found material used to manufacture explosive items, including 150 match boxes, Sulfex sulphur powder, nuts and bolts, circuits, multi-functional delay timers, a mixer-grinder, mobile display items and some other chemicals, from Shariq's rented house in Mysuru. Shariq fled Shivamogga after his two associates were arrested in September, and since then had been to several places and had taken a house on rent in Mysuru, where he had joined a mobile repair training institute, Mr. Kumar said. "Preliminary investigations have revealed that Shariq had come to Mangaluru earlier on November 10. Based on his movements, we are trying to analyse what could have been his target," he said.

The investigation revealed that he left Mysuru on November 19 and travelled to Mangaluru via Madikeri and Puttur. He alighted from the bus on the outskirts of Mangaluru and hired an autorickshaw. The blast occurred at 4.40 p.m., near Kankanady, while he was in the autorickshaw. Karnataka Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai had wound up his programme in Mangaluru on that day, and left for Bengaluru around that time.

Modi attacks Cong. on growth, Rahul hits back

He also spoke about 24-hour power supply in villages, subsidised urea and fertilizers provided by the government to farmers and other schemes. He said the BJP government had worked for the people of the State.

Mr. Modi asked the Congress party why activists like Medha Patkar were allowed to join the Bharat Jodo Yatra. Without naming Rahul Gandhi or the yatra, Mr. Modi said, "Those who have been thrown out of power have started a yatra to return to power."

He said that the people taking part in the yatra "don't even know how cotton and groundnut are grown in the farm".

The State will go to the polls in two phases on December 1 and 5 for 89 and 93 seats, respectively. The counting of votes will take place on December 8 along with Himachal Pradesh.

Morbi bridge collapse is an enormous tragedy: SC

CJI-led Bench asks Gujarat HC to 'bear its time and attention' on ensuring an independent probe; says the case presents 'glaring facts' and the investigation requires weekly monitoring by the HC

Krishnadas Rajagopal
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Monday described the Morbi suspension bridge collapse which killed 141 people, including 47 children, as an "enormous tragedy".

A Bench led by Chief Justice of India (CJI) D.Y. Chandrachud asked the Gujarat High Court, which has taken *suo motu* cognisance of the incident, to "bear its time and attention" on ensuring an independent investigation into the role and the responsibilities of Nagar Palika (municipal corporation) officials and the agency which was in charge of maintenance and management of the 143-year-old suspension bridge.

The petitioner, Chavada Dilipbhai, who lost both his brother and sister-in-law leaving behind their nine-year-old orphaned, pointed out that the civic body officials and top management of the agency remain scot-free with the State police hardly moving a muscle, considering the "looming shadow" of the Assembly election due on December 1 in the State.

Tragic incident: A banner paying tributes to the people who lost their lives in the bridge collapse in Morbi town. VIJAY SONEJI

Senior advocate Gopal Sankaranarayanan, for Mr. Dilipbhai, highlighted the need for an independent investigation; fix the responsibility on the Nagar Palika officials; ensure that the agency entrusted with the maintenance and management were held accountable and not confined to making arrests during the probe; and the award of reasonable compensation to families who lost their loved ones.

Noting that the case presents "glaring facts", the Bench said the circumstances preceding the incident and the subsequent developments virtually require weekly monitoring by the High Court.

"Weekly monitoring is needed for what steps have been taken, including for investigation, award of renovation and maintenance contract, credentials of the party to whom it was awarded, the actual work of the maintenance done, attribution of responsibility for those guilty of lapses, award of compensation and the need for an independent investigation," CJI Chandrachud observed orally. The court *prima facie* agreed with Mr. Sankaranarayanan's petition for the setting up of a regulatory mechanism to prevent such tragedies.

However, the Bench did not admit the case, saying the High Court had taken *suo motu* cognisance with "alacrity" and was already seized of the issue.

"We would have taken this case up but for the fact that the High Court has already taken charge of it and passed orders... Otherwise, we would have issued notice in this case and taken it over ourselves," the CJI said. The Bench said the High Court, under its *suo motu* jurisdiction, was free to "look into everything" and even order a CBI investigation.

Army to procure ballistic shields and body-worn cameras

Dinakar Peri
NEW DELHI

The Army on Monday issued two Requests For Proposals (RFP) for procurement of 7,000 body-worn camera systems and 1,612 ballistic shields to be procured under Emergency Procurement (EP) through the fast-track procurement (FTP) route. The last date for bid submission for both the RFPs is December 20, 2022.

"The body cameras are for both the military police as well as Rashtriya Rifles engaged in counter-terrorist operations in Kashmir valley. The ballistic shields are meant for counter-terrorism operations," a defence official said. The ballistic shields would be very helpful in preventing casualties in room interventions during anti-terror operations, the official added.

Emergency financial powers were granted to the armed forces by the Defence Ministry in the past on three occasions, post the Uri surgical strikes in 2016, the Balakot air strike in 2019 and the 2020 stand-off with China in eastern Ladakh. Under the FTP route, the forces can procure weapons systems up to ₹300 crore on an "urgent basis without any further clearances to cut short the procurement cycle." Three tranches of EPs were executed under which 68 contracts worth ₹6,000 crores were placed and the fourth EP for indigenous equipment is under way, Army chief General Manoj Pande had said at DefExpo-2022.

The ballistic shields should have a minimum indigenous content of 50% and the manufacturer should provide a 60 months warranty for the ballistic shield and 24 months for the harness, the RFP said. The shield should have a service life of five years.

The camera should be compact in size and light in weight about 200 gm and have battery life for up to 12 hours video recording. The recording should have two independent video streams for local record and remote view, the RFP said, adding that it should burn in date, time, device ID, officer ID and location.

Father kills Delhi woman, mother helps dump body

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

A young woman, whose body was found in a trolley bag on the Yamuna Expressway here, was allegedly killed by her father and her mother helped him dispose of the corpse, the police said.

Her parents have been arrested, with the police suspecting it to be case of 'honour killing'.

The victim, Ayushi Yadav, 21, had gone out for a few days without informing her parents and this enraged her father, who allegedly shot her dead at their house in Modband village in Delhi on November 17, the day she came back .

U.P. man held for killing ex-girlfriend, chopping her body into six parts

Mayank Kumar
LUCKNOW

In an incident similar to the Shraddha murder case in Delhi, the Uttar Pradesh police have arrested a man for allegedly murdering his former girlfriend, chopping her body into six parts and disposing of them.

The victim hailed from Ishaq Pur village in Azamgarh district of Uttar Pradesh.

On Sunday, when the police took the accused, Prince Yadav, to the spot where he allegedly dumped the victim's head, he fired at the personnel with a pistol.

In retaliatory fire, Yadav was shot in the leg. According to the Azamgarh police, the accused had an affair with the victim. However, she married another person earlier this year.

The police said on November 9, Yadav took the victim to a temple with the help of his friend, strangled her to death and chopped her body into six parts and threw them into a well.

He disposed of the victim's head in a nearby pond. The police have recovered the head and sent it for forensic examination.

The police have also recovered a country-made pistol and a sharp-edged weapon from the accused.

Retired Navy man killed by wife and son; body chopped into pieces, dumped in pond

The Hindu Bureau
KOLKATA

The police in Baruipur in South 24 Parganas district of West Bengal have cracked a case in which family members allegedly killed a 55-year-old man, chopped his body and threw the pieces into a pond. On Monday, the police recovered the murder weapon (hacksaw) from a pond from which the body parts were recovered last week.

According to the police, Ujjwal Chakraborty, a retired Navy man, was strangled to death on November 14. His son, Joy, and wife, Shyamali, allegedly chopped the body into six pieces and disposed of them. The next morning, the duo lodged a missing complaint at the Baruipur police station.

The investigation began on November 18 after a dismembered torso was found in a pond in the Harihapur area. The post-mortem report revealed strangulation marks on the body.

On November 20, the police produced Shyamali, 48, and Joy, 25, before a court, which remanded them in police custody for 14 days. "The son disposed of the body parts. His mother helped him. The number of body parts is yet to be confirmed," Pushpa, Superintendent of Police, Baruipur, said. The police said the mother and the son have confessed to the crime.

Domestic violence

Joy told the police that he needed money to go to Chennai, but his father not only refused it but beat him and his mother.

The neighbours said the deceased used to work as a security guard at a private firm, and there were issues of domestic violence in the family.

On the night of the incident, they said the television set was playing at a higher volume than usual.

UAE Foreign Minister may meet Jaishankar during his India visit

Kallol Bhattacherjee
NEW DELHI

Sheikh Abdullah bin Zayed

The Minister of Foreign Affairs of the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Sheikh Abdullah bin Zayed Al Nahyan, will hold a meeting with his Indian counterpart, S. Jaishankar, on Tuesday. He is on a two-day official visit to India. The visit will be "part of regular consultations between the two countries" regarding bilateral and global issues, said the Ministry of External Affairs.

India and the UAE signed a landmark Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) on February 18.

The agreement entered into force on May 1. Subsequently, Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited Abu Dhabi on June 28 on his way back home from Europe, when he was welcomed by President of the UAE Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan. It was Mr. Modi's fourth visit to the UAE since he was sworn in first in May 2014.

The two sides have entered into a new quadrilateral initiative called I2U2 – Israel, India, the United States and the United Arab Emirates – with an aim to intensify cooperation in the fields of agriculture, digital connectivity and infrastructure development among other issues. The UAE has normalised relations with Israel and the Jewish state and has established a diplomatic mission in Abu Dhabi.

The UAE Foreign Minister's visit will be a reciprocation to the August 31-September 2 visit by External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar to the Gulf nation when he met Mr. Nahyan during the 14th India-UAE Joint Commission Meeting and third India-UAE Strategic Dialogue.

CJI-led Bench to hear plea against poll bond today

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

A three-judge Bench of the Supreme Court will hear on Tuesday a petition challenging a government notification allowing the sale of electoral bonds for an additional 15 days in the Assembly election years.

The Bench will be headed by Chief Justice of India (CJI) D.Y. Chandrachud and will comprise Justices Hima Kohli and J.B. Pardiwala.

30-day extra period

Earlier, a 30-day extra period for sale was allowed only during the Lok Sabha election year.

On November 7, the Union Finance Ministry had issued the notification amending the electoral bonds scheme.

"An additional period of 15 days shall be specified by the Central government in the year of general elections to the legislative Assembly of States and Union Territories with the legislature," the gazette notification had said.

Chandrasekhar wins CMA National Online Business Quiz

The Hindu Bureau
CHENNAI

The finals of the CMA National Online Business Quiz 2022, organised by the Institute of Cost Accountants of India (ICAI) and *The Hindu*, were held on Sunday. T.V.S. Chandrasekhar emerged as the winner.

Parisha Giria and Krishna Awtar Loya were the first and second runners-up respectively in the national business quiz which had nearly 2,600 participants sign up.

Among them, 183 participants were shortlisted and eight were chosen to participate in the finals.

2,600 participants

CMA Debasish Mitra, Chairman, Board of Advanced Studies and Research, was the quizmaster and CMA Riya Chaudhary was the co-host. CMA Balwinder Singh, Chairman, Training and Educational Facilities Committee, CMA Vijender Sharma, vice-president of the ICMAI and CMA P. Raju Iyer, president of the ICMAI, were present at the virtual event held on Sunday.

"Quizzes are an interesting part of students' lives. Emerging as one among the final eight participants from nearly 2,600 participants is not an easy task. *The Hindu* is known for promoting and encouraging intellectual properties like this quiz and will continue to do so," said Suresh Balakrishna, Chief Revenue Officer, *The Hindu* Group.

Mr. Raju Iyer said quizzes like the CMA National Online Business Quiz provided a great opportunity for students to learn, update and upgrade their knowledge.

ASI seeks time to determine 'Shivling' age in Gyanvapi

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Archaeological Survey Of India (ASI) on Monday told the Allahabad High Court that it needed three months to prepare a report on what could be done to determine the age of the structure found inside the Gyanvapi mosque in Varanasi.

ASI counsel Manoj Kumar told *The Hindu* that the agency would consult expert bodies to find an exact and best way to determine the age of the structure.

"There are modern, scientific ways to determine the same. The court will take a call on our plea on November 30," Mr. Kumar said.

While the ASI counsel denied there was any mention of carbon dating during Monday's hearing, Saurabh Tiwari, lawyer representing Hindu plaintiff Rakhi Singh, claimed that the ASI made oral observations that carbon dating of the 'Shivling' might damage the structure'.

Centre says T.N. govt. did not respond to its Sangamam invite

It had written to the State seeking participation, help for Varanasi event; over 2,500 participants are expected to visit from various parts of T.N.

Jagriti Chandra
NEW DELHI

Prime Minister Narendra Modi during the inauguration of the Kashi-Tamil Sangamam in Varanasi. PTI

The Union government claims that it invited the Tamil Nadu government to participate and provide help in organising the one-month-long Kashi-Tamil Sangamam being held in Varanasi from November 19, but did not receive a response.

"We wrote to the Tamil Nadu government seeking their participation as well as their help for the Varanasi event, but there was no response," an official of the Ministry of Education said on the condition of anonymity.

Meanwhile, on the third day of the event, a delegation from Tamil Nadu visited the various ghats on the banks of Ganga in Varanasi and took a holy dip. They also visited the Kashi Vishwanath temple.

A separate delegation comprising students also arrived at Prayagraj after finishing a tour of Varanasi and took a holy dip in "Triveni Sangam" or the confluence of Ganga, Yamuna and the mythical Saraswati river.

The students also visited the Shri Adi Shankar Vimana Mandapam temple.

A total of 2,500 participants are expected to attend the event from various parts of Tamil Nadu. They will arrive in different batches, each of whom will spend a total of six days in Uttar Pradesh. They will spend two days each in Varanasi, Ayodhya and Prayagraj. Delegates have been chosen from 12 domains which include students, teachers, business persons, artisans, temple staff, among others.

Will ensure Dimple wins the Mainpuri bypoll, says Shivpal

The Hindu Bureau
LUCKNOW

In a rare show of strength ahead of the byelection to the Mainpuri Lok Sabha constituency, the family of Samajwadi Party (SP) founder Mulayam Singh came together at a rally in Jaswantnagar on Monday, with Pragatisheel Samajwadi Party (Lohiya) leader and the local Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA), Shivpal Singh Yadav, promising his nephew and SP president Akhilesh Yadav that he will not let him down.

Mr. Shivpal also asserted that he will ensure the win of party candidate Dimple Yadav, wife of Akhilesh Yadav, in the byelection.

"I want to tell Akhilesh I was associated with Netaji (Mulayam Singh) since childhood. Today he is not with us, hence this election is significant... we will have to ensure Dimple wins from here," said Mr. Shivpal, who had a strained relationship with the SP president.

In setback to SP, Azam Khan's close aide joins BJP

The Hindu Bureau
GHAZIABAD

In yet another shock for senior Samajwadi Party leader Azam Khan, his close confidant Fasahat Ali Khan Shanu switched to the BJP in the presence of BJP State president Bhupendra Chaudhary on Monday.

The development can impact the SP's campaign as it has come just days before the December 5 Rampur Sadar byelection, necessitated after the conviction of Mr. Khan in a hate speech case. It also meant that the BJP is serenading not just the backward Muslims as Mr. Shanu hails from a Pathan family.

NIA arrests terrorist from Delhi airport

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

The National Investigation Agency (NIA) has arrested a most-wanted terrorist, carrying a reward of ₹5 lakh, from the Delhi airport here, three years after he was declared an absconder and the Interpol issued a Red Corner Notice against him.

Kulwinderjit Singh alias "Khanpuria" has been associated with terrorist outfits such as the Babbar Khalsa International (BKI) and the Khalistan Liberation Force (KLF).

Congress to file review petition in Rajiv case

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Congress will file a review petition in the Supreme Court against the order that led to the release of six convicts in the Rajiv Gandhi assassination case, a senior party source said on Monday.

The source claimed that the review petition would be filed this week. Senior advocate and the party's member in the Rajya Sabha, Abhishek Singhvi, is closely studying the judgment that ordered the release of the convicts.

"A fresh review application challenging the Supreme Court decision to release the convicts on the grounds set out in the order will be filed on behalf of the party in the next few days," the source said.

The Union government also filed a petition to review the order releasing the convicts prematurely. On November 11, the top court directed the release of Nalini Sriharan, R.P. Ravichandran, Santhan, Murugan, Robert Payas, and Jayakumar.

Congress general secretary (organisation) K.C. Venugopal had tweeted: "There shouldn't be any sympathy with terrorists. Modi Govt's reprehensible silence on the release of the culprits of Rajivji's assassins is a compromise with the terrorist act. And those who applaud the release of those terrorists are, indeed, indirectly emboldening them."

"How can the Supreme Court now refuse other similar claims, regardless of howsoever heinous a crime has been committed?," Mr. Singhvi had asked at a press conference on November 11.

'Centre is trying to control the public universities'

Irrespective of politics, all States must come together on this with a unified action, the country is being taken to a different direction where federalism is under challenge, says Kerala Law Minister

INTERVIEW

P. Rajeeve

A. M. Jigeesh

The Kerala government is consulting lawyers on a constitutional question whether "subordinate legislation" or Rules of a Central Act prevail upon an entry on the State List of Constitution or an Act passed by the Assemblies. Kerala Law Minister P. Rajeeve said the present controversies, after Kerala Governor Arif Mohammed Khan's notice to 11 Vice-Chancellors, is not limited to Kerala. He thinks there is a larger intention by the Centre to control the public universities. Edited excerpts:

What is the background of this controversy over universities?

The recent developments in Kerala wherein the Governor initiated steps to remove all Vice-Chancellors of the State universities had triggered issues of Centre-State legislative competencies. The present controversy is also about the importance of the UGC Act, 1956 and the guidelines issued by the UGC from time to time, which are subordinate legislation or rules based on the UGC Act.

While introducing Entry 66 (57A in draft Constitution), Dr. Ambedkar clarified that the said Entry, 57A, proposes to give powers to the Centre to the limited extent of coordinating the research institutions and maintaining the standards in those institutions to prevent them being lowered. The Supreme Court clarified in 1990s that the States and universities should follow certain parameters to get grants from the Centre. But now, the UGC and the Centre have decreased the financial assistance on the one hand and on the other hand, they are trying to take administrative and academic control of the State universities.

Now this question assumes much significance in the context of the recent Supreme Court verdict on the appointment of a Vice-Chancellor to Kerala Technical University and the incidents which erupted as an aftermath of it in Kerala.

"Education" is placed in the Concurrent List by a constitutional amendment, however, the incorporation and regulation of universities are under State List as Entry 32 of the seventh schedule. There are a few national importance universities in the country, which are managed by the Centre. All the other public universities are under the State. There are no restrictions in this function of the State.

So what is the next step of the Kerala government?

Now, the discussion is that this is a Kerala issue. No, this is a national issue. Certain recent Supreme Court orders will make UGC guidelines prevail over State Acts. This issue must be approached as a constitutional issue by the higher judiciary. Lawmaking is the key duty of Legislature. It should not be left to the Executive. Interpretations of these verdicts can lead to Union's encroachment of several State issues, not just universities. The legislative intent is important and I think higher courts should approach these issues also by understanding the legislative intent.

All States must come together on this irrespective of politics with a unified action. The country is being taken to a different direction, where federalism is under challenge. The Centre is taking administrative control of everything, including those subjects in the States List through executive orders. This is a larger question. We will raise this in Supreme Court. This is an attack against the rights of the States.

But the UGC Act is passed by Parliament. So can the Centre intervene in the functioning of universities?

During my tenure in Parliament, one of the most exciting experiences was when I had objected to the introduction of a legislative Bill which intended to incorporate a university in Bundelkhand. After a healthy discussion in the Upper House, it was finally decided that Parliament has no legislative competency to make an Act for State universities, but Parliament can pass legislation if the university is of national importance.

Parliament has the power to make laws for incorporation of universities of national importance as per Entry 64 of the Union List.

The apex court has now declared that the UGC regulations shall be followed mandatorily. As per this judgment, the Union government can annul or modify any State Acts passed by State legislature on the subjects which come under Concurrent List. The position taken by the Chancellor of Kerala by interpreting the verdict is going to create a crisis in higher education sector all over the country. *De facto* the new interpretation is bound to create ripples in the federal structure.

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RE E-TENDER NOTIFICATION

Re E-tender are invited for the below mentioned Purchase at Bangalore Medical College and Research Institute, Bengaluru.

1	Re E-Tenders are invited for the Establishment of Modular OT with Laminar Airflow in the Dept. of ENT, BMCRI, Bengaluru.	**Tender No. BMCRI/ Sup(2)/08/2022-23, Dated: 19.11.2022**
2	Re E-Tenders are invited for the Printing of X-ray on Thick Color Paper (CT MRI and X-ray) in the Radiology Department, BMCRI, Bengaluru.	**Tender No. BMCRI/ Sup(2)/09/2022-23, Dated: 19.11.2022**

1) Commencement date for Uploading of Tenders: **21-11-2022. 2)** Pre Bid Meeting: **29-11-2022 at 11.30 AM. 3)** Last Date for Uploading the Tenders: **06-12-2022 before 4.30 PM. 4)** Date of Opening of Tenders: **08-12-2022 at 11.30 AM.**

Tender details, EMD details and other related details can be viewed, downloaded and applied only through the e-Procurement mode only. Website: **https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in.** Interested tenderers have to register in the e-Procurement portal, details of which can be viewed in the said website.

For further details contact **Director cum Dean, Bangalore Medical College and Research Institute,** Bengaluru.

Sd/- Director cum Dean, BMCRI, Bengaluru.

DIPR/CP/3177/Adverto/2022-23

BERHAMPUR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, GANJAM
INVITATIONS FOR BIDS (IFB)

Letter No. No. 13545 / **Invitation for Bids** Date :11/11/22

NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING THROUGH E-PROCUREMENT
Bid Identification No.BMC(BAM):- 267 / 2022-2023

1.	The Municipal Commissioner, Berhampur, invites percentage rate bids in ONLINE MODE only, as per annexure "A".	
2.	Nature of Work	CIVIL
3.	No. of work	8 Nos.
4.	Bid Cost	The bidders shall remit online the cost of bid document for amount through the process as mentioned in the DTCN as per Annexure "A"
5.	E.M.D.	The bidder shall remit online the Earnest Money Deposit/ Bid Security at the rate of 0% of the estimated cost put to tender as mentioned under DTCN. Bidders desirous to hire machineries or equipments from outside the State or owned but deployed outside the State are required to remit online 2% of the amount put to tender as Bid Security. Exemption from EMD is permissible as per codal provisions of Govt. Of Odisha as per Annexure "A"
6.	Class of Contractor	AS per the Annexure "A"
7.	Availability of Bid Documents in the website	From 10.00 hrs. of 18/11/22 to 17.00 hrs. of 05/12/22
9.	Date & Time of Opening of Technical Bids.	11.30 hrs. onwards on Dt. 06/12/22
10.	Date & Time of Opening of Financial Bids.	Shall be intimated to the responsive Technically qualified bidder after evolution of Technical bids.
10.	Mode of submission of Tender	Tender Should submitted On line in - www.tendersorissa.gov.in
11.	The Bidders have to participate in ONLINE bidding only. Further details can be seen from the website: https://tendersodisha.gov.in. Any addendum /corrigendum / cancellation of tender can also be seen in the said website only.	

Commissioner, Berhampur Municipal Corporation, Berhampur, Odisha

C-1607: OIPR-13035/11/0054/2223

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Request For Proposal
Bid Identification No. P&C/EST/E-102/2022-23

IDCO: H.O./P&C/EST/E-1990/01/2022/ 30000, Date: 19.11.2022

Request for Proposal is invited from reputed consultants having experience and expertise in preparation of DPRs / study report for slurry pipelines for **" Selection of Consultant for Water Assessment study for upcoming slurry pipeline projects in Odisha ".**

The detail RFP notice can be seen in E-Procurement Portal of Government of Odisha web site **tendersodisha.gov.in**. The bid document can be downloaded **from 5.00 P.M. of 25.11.2022**. The last date of submission of the technical bid is **12.12.2022 by 5.00 P.M.** in E-Procurement Portal only.

Sd/-
Chief General Manager (P&C), IDCO, Bhubaneswar

CAD-2809: OIPR-14003/11/0202/2223

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
"e" - PROCUREMENT NOTICE
Bid Identification No.CCE,KIP-(KRC&BD)-08/2022-23
(Pertaining to Kanupur Rehabilitation Camps & Building Division, Basudevpur)

1.	Name of the Work	" Construction of Right Periphery road from Balabhadrapur to Gugudury of KIP".
2.	Estimated Cost	Rs.577.90 Lakh
3.	Period of Completion	11(Eleven) Calendar Months including rainy season
4.	Date & Time of availability of bid document in the portal	Dt.23.11.2022 from 10.00 Hours to Dt.07.12.2022 up to 17.00 Hours
5.	Last date / Time of receipt of bid in the portal	Dt. 07.12.2022 up to 17.00 Hours
6.	Date & Time of Opening of Technical Bid	Dt. 08.12.2022 at 11.00 Hours.
7.	Name and Address of the Officer Inviting Bid	Er. Prasanna Kumar Pani, Chief Construction Engineer, Kanupur Irrigation Project, At/PO : Basudevpur, Dist.: Keonjhar, Odisha - 758047

Further details can be seen from e-Procurement portal www.tendersodisha.gov.in

(Er. Prasanna Kumar Pani)
Chief Construction Engineer
Kanupur Irrigation Project, Basudevpur, Keonjhar.

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF GENERAL MANAGER (P&C)
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Tender Call Notice No. H.O./P&C/EST-E-100/2022-23 29935 Dated :- 19.11.22

NOTICE INVITING TENDER THROUGH e-PROCUREMENT

Name of the Work : Providing first and last mile connectivity of 3.5km long 2-Lane to 4-lane with drain from Visa square to JSL Material gate (utility corridor-II) in Kalinga Nagar Industrial Complex (KNIC), Dist-Jajpur

Estimated Cost : Rs.2066.00 Lakhs (approx.).

Period of Completion : 09 (Nine) Calendar Months.

Pre-Bid meeting is to be conducted on 12.12.2022 at 3.30 P.M.

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Availability of Tender On-Line for Bidding	
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Chief General Manager (P&C), IDCO, Idco Tower, Bhubaneswar.	Bid Id. No. P&C/EST/E-100 / 2022-23	17.00 Hours of 29.11.22	17.00 Hours of 15.12.2022

Further details can be seen from the e-Procurement Portal, www.Tendersorissa.gov.in and Corrigendum if any will not be published in news papers and can only be seen in the e-Procurement portal www.tenderorissa.gov.in and IDCO Website www.idco.in.

Sd/-
Chief General Manager (P&C), IDCO, Bhubaneswar

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कार्यालय भू–सम्पति अधिकारी
श्री कर्ण नरेन्द्र कृषि विश्वविद्यालय
जोबनेर 303329, जिला जयपुर (राजस्थान)
फेक्स व फोन नं. 01425–254982

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KERALA WATER AUTHORITY e-Tender Notice

Tender No : 108,109,110,111/SE/PHC/TSR/2022 -23, **Jal Jeevan Mission -** Providing Distribution Network, FHTC And Street Main Extension to Kondazhy, Thiruvillwamala, Adat & Kadappuram Grama panchyaths - General Civil Work, **EMD** : Rs. 5,00,000/-, **Tender Fee** : Rs. 17700/-, **Last Date for submitting Tender** : 12-12-2022, 03:00:pm, **Phone** : 0487 2423230.

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VISVESVARAYA JALA NIGAM LIMITED
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NO:EE/VJNL/UBP/D-04/HSD/Tender-25/TBC-Drip-P3/2022-23/1181 Date:-16-11-2022

SHORT TENDER NOTIFICATION (TWO SEPARATE E-TENDER)
(only through E-PROCUREMENT SYSTEM)

The Executive Engineer, VJNL, UBP, Division No.04 Hosadurga as per KW-4, invited **TURNKEY BASIS** tender (**TWO SEPARATE E-TENDER**) through e-procurement only vide tender no:25/ 2022-23, Date:16-11-2022 on behalf of the Managing Director, Visvesvaraya Jala Nigam Ltd, Bangalore form the eligible KPWD Class-1 of contractors who fulfils the pre-Qualification conditions for the **INDENT NO:VJNL/2022-23/IW/WORK_INDENT 2380**. The Contractors can download and submit the completed bid documents through e-procurement website www.erpoc.karnataka.gov.in from 19-11-2022 to 07-12-2022 upto 17.30 hours. Details such as Name of work/Amount put to tender/ qualification of Bidders/Tender conditions/Tender processing fee etc can be obtained through e-procurement or from the office of the under signed during the office hours upto 07-12-2022 up to 17.30 hours. The tender will be opened on 09-12-2022 @ 11.00 hours at the office of the Executive Engineer , VJNL, UBP, Division No.04 Hosadurga through e-procurement. The date of opening of Financial Bid will be intimated to the qualified bidders. The authority competent to accept the tenders shall have the right of rejecting all or any of the tenders without assigning any reasons.

DIPR/CTA/MCA/709/2022-23 Sd/- Executive Engineer

INBRIEF

Three killed as goods train rams railway station in Odisha

Three passengers were killed when eight wagons of an empty goods train jumped off the track and rammed the Korai station in Jajpur district in Odisha early on Monday. Three women lost their lives, while two were seriously injured in the accident. The first few wagons of the train had passed the station while eight of the 54 wagons rammed the station. The collision was so powerful that one wagon rammed a railway footbridge, while some others hit the passenger waiting shed. Local people and passengers rushed to rescue those trapped under a roof. The Ministry of Railways ordered an inquiry by the Commissioner of Railway Safety.

One more arrested in Andaman gang rape case

Suspended Andaman and Nicobar Labour Commissioner R.L. Rishi was arrested on Monday in connection with the gang rape case, the police said. Mr. Rishi arrived aboard a flight from Chennai around 1 p.m., and was taken into custody by the Andaman and Nicobar Police, they said. So far, three accused have been arrested in the case, including former Andaman and Nicobar Chief Secretary Jitendra Narain and Sandeep Singh, a Port Blair-based businessman. A special investigation team has been formed to probe into allegations that a 21-year-old woman was lured to Mr. Narain's home with the promise a government job, and then raped. PTI

Broadcasts should be in tune with official releases, says HC

The Delhi High Court on Monday told certain media organisations to ensure their broadcast on the Delhi excise policy scam cases is "in tune with official press releases" by the CBI and the ED, and complies with guidelines after a plea objected to the alleged news leaks. The court pulled up the News Broadcasting & Digital Standards Authority (NBDA) after it submitted that it has no power to restrain news channels. "If self-regulation is a mere eyewash, why should we not disband you," Justice Yashwant Varma said. He also asked the NBDA to submit a report on whether they would be compliant with the guidelines and listed the case for further consideration in February. PTI

Arun Goel assumes charge as Election Commissioner

Arun Goel, a retired IAS officer of the 1985 Punjab cadre, assumed charge as the new Election Commissioner (EC) of India on Monday. Chief Election Commissioner Rajiv Kumar, who is currently in Nepal as the international observer for their ongoing national elections, congratulated Mr. Goel on his appointment. With Mr. Goel assuming charge, the third and final vacancy in the Election Commission of India, has been filled. Welcoming him, Mr. Kumar said his vast and diverse administrative experience will further strengthen the Commission's endeavours in ensuring that the electoral process is inclusive.

Pak. issues 100 visas to Indians for pilgrimage

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

Pakistan on Monday said it had issued 100 visas to Indian pilgrims keen on participating in the 314th birth anniversary celebrations of Shiv Avtari Satguru Sant Shadaram Sahib in Sindh province.

A statement issued by the Pakistan High Commission said a group of Indian Hindu pilgrims will be visiting Shadani Darbar Hayat Pitafi from November 22 to December 3.

The Shadani Darbar temple is over 300 years old and is a sacred place for Hindu devotees across the globe. It was founded in 1786 by Sant Shadaram Sahib, who was born in Lahore in 1708.

Under the Pakistan-India Protocol on 'Visits to Religious Shrines' of 1974, thousands of Sikh and Hindu pilgrims from India and other places visit Pakistan to attend various religious festivals or occasions every year.

Visas issued by the Pakistan High Commission are in addition to the visas granted to Hindu and Sikh pilgrims participating in these events from other countries, the statement said.

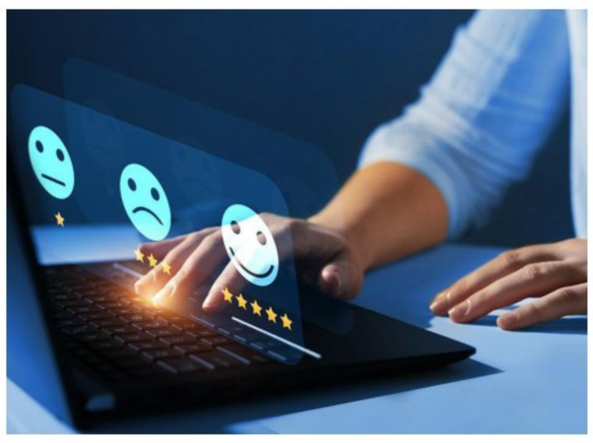
Centre sets standard for e-commerce reviews

The framework will be rolled out on November 25; it may become mandatory after a trial for some days and will be applicable to every online platform that publishes consumer ratings

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Centre is bringing out a standard for publishing product reviews on e-commerce platforms from Friday. To start with, the standard will be voluntary, but could become mandatory later after observing compliance with the standard by such platforms. The framework for the standard was prepared by the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS).

Rohit Kumar Singh, Secretary of the Department of Consumer Affairs, told presspersons on Monday that the framework was meant to safeguard and protect consumer interest from fake and deceptive reviews on e-commerce platforms. If made mandatory, the violation of the standard, titled "Indian Standard (IS) 19000:2022 Online Consumer Reviews – Principles and Requirements for their Collection, Moderation and Publication", can invite punishment for unfair trade practice or violation of consumer rights. Once made mandatory, a consumer may submit grievances to the National Consumer Helpline, consumer commission or the CCPA, against misleading reviews. "The standards will be applicable to every online platform which publishes consumer reviews," Mr. Singh said.



Tech regulation: The standard is expected to benefit all e-commerce stakeholders. GETTY IMAGES/ISTOCKPHOTO

The guiding principles of the standard are integrity, accuracy, privacy, security, transparency, accessibility and responsiveness, he said. "The standard prescribes specific responsibilities for the review author and the review administrator. For the former, these include confirming acceptance of terms and conditions, providing contact information, and for review administrator, these include safeguarding personal information and training of staff," Mr. Singh added.

The standard also provides for methods for verification of the review author or to check the traceability and genuineness of the review author. "The standard is expected to benefit all stakeholders in the e-commerce ecosystem, that is, consumers, e-commerce platforms, sellers, etc. It will help usher in confidence among consumers to purchase goods online and help them take better purchase decisions," the Secretary said.

Taking cognisance of the impact of fake and deceptive reviews and protection of consumer interest in e-commerce, the Department of Consumer Affairs constituted a committee to develop a framework for checking fake and deceptive reviews on June 10, 2022.

Mr. Singh said the BIS had consulted all e-platform giants before drafting the guidelines, and responses from the public were also invited. He said the BIS will come out with a certification process in the next 15 days to check whether a company was complying with these standards. "E-commerce players can apply for certification of this standard with the BSI. Many other countries are also struggling on how to handle fake reviews," he said, and added that the Ministry does not want to bulldoze the industry.

SC dismisses petition for guidelines on compliance

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Monday said a public interest petitioner's plea to frame "guidelines" to ensure that its judgments are complied with by the government and the lower judiciary was "thoroughly misconceived".

Appearing before a Bench led by Chief Justice D.Y. Chandrachud, Mukul Kumar Sanwariya said that the Supreme Court's judgments and orders were ignored by authorities.

Chief Justice Chandrachud directed the petitioner's attention to Article 141 of the Constitution. The Article makes it clear that the "law declared by the Supreme Court is binding on all courts" in India.

"But the authorities are still not complying," the petitioner complained.

Justice Hima Kohli, on the Bench, asked the petitioner how "guidelines" would help in the implementation of judgments and judicial orders.

The CJI again pointed to Article 142 of the Constitution, which provides extraordinary powers to the Supreme Court to enforce its decisions. The court dismissed the petition.

Union Health Ministry launches India's first suicide prevention policy

Ramya Kannan
CHENNAI

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare on Monday announced a National Suicide Prevention Strategy, the first of its kind in the country, with time-bound action plans and multi-sectoral collaborations to achieve reduction in suicide mortality by 10% by 2030.

The strategy broadly seeks to establish effective surveillance mechanisms for suicide within the next three years, establish psychiatric outpatient departments that will provide suicide prevention services through the District Mental Health Programme in all districts within the next five years, and to integrate a mental well-being curriculum in all educational institutions within the next eight years. It envisages developing guidelines for responsible media reporting of suicides, and restricting access to means of suicide. The stress is on developing community resilience and societal support for suicide prevention. While the strategy is in line with the WHO's South East-Asia Region Strategy for suicide prevention, it says it will remain true to India's cultural and social milieu.

Collaborative effort

In a note, Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya said: "Further efforts are now required to prevent suicides as a public health priority. Suicides impact all sections of the society and thus require concerted and collaborative efforts from individuals and the community at large."

In India, more than one lakh lives are lost every year to suicide, and it is the top killer in the 15-29 years category. In the past three years, the suicide rate has increased from 10.2 to 11.3 per 1,00,000 population, the document records. The most common reasons for suicide include family problems and illnesses, which account for 34% and 18% of all suicide-related deaths.

Psychiatrist Lakshmi Vijayakumar, founder of Sneha Foundation, who is credited with writing the first draft of the strategy said, "The most important thing is that the government has acknowledged that suicide is a problem... We now have a plan, a rather well-conceived plan involving multi-sectoral collaborations, because the only way a strategy would work would be to involve various sectors," she said.

International arrivals will not need Air Suvidha forms

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

International travellers entering India will no longer be required to fill the self-declaration form, called Air Suvidha, for COVID-19 related screening of passengers. Neither will passengers be required to submit a negative COVID-19 RT-PCR report.

These relaxations come into effect from Tuesday, and are part of the revised guidelines for international arrivals issued by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare on Monday.

"All travellers should preferably be fully vaccinated as per the approved primary schedule of vaccination against COVID-19 in their country," said the guidelines. However, the flight crew will still be required to make in-flight announcements about COVID-19 protocols.

25 lakh Central govt. pensioners receive digital life certificates

Vijaita Singh
NEW DELHI

Aided by facial recognition technology, the drive collected 'harmless data' for verification

Around 25 lakh Central government pensioners have been provided digital life certificates, out of which 2.2 lakh certificates were enabled by facial authentication, under a special drive, Union Personnel Minister Jitendra Singh said on Monday. The drive was conducted for 20 days to encourage pensioners to avail the facility.

The Minister asserted at a press conference that "harmless data" was gathered for the limited purpose of verifying pensioners. The certificates are issued within 60 seconds by logging into an app, and are linked to Aadhar.

When *The Hindu* asked about the security of the data, Chief Executive Officer of the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) Saurabh Garg said, "As far as authentication is concerned, it is specified in the Aadhaar Act that we can keep the data for six months for verification and cases of disputes. We do not store any data."

"The data is harmless. It is only meant to ensure that the person to whom the pension is going exists," Dr. Singh said.

Mr. Garg said the facial technology was developed in-house in 2021 as a response to issues raised during the pandemic. Dr. Singh said submission of life certificates is important to ensure pension continuity of pensioners.

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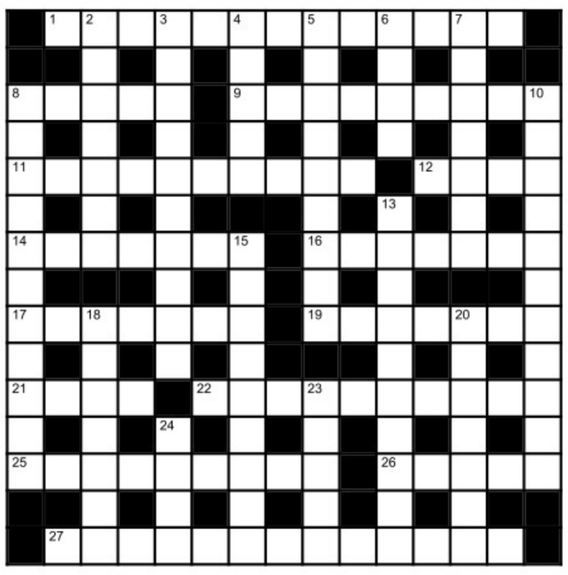

Across

1 Spirited woman has beaten up beau involved in fling (13)
8 Main intellectual firing amateur (5)
9 Begins with skit, super funny (7,2)
11 How runs might be scored on the legside to get out of trouble? (3,3,4)
12 Disreputable person about to smuggle ecstasy in dock (4)
14 Temptress in food shop at the French hotel (7)
16 Great moves to trap rebellious gangster on the run (2,5)
17 Excellent study about heroin and dope (7)
19 One turning out champion after end of race (7)
21 Surmounts difficulty on retirement (4)
22 Whiskey consumed on top of rum! Smashed beyond doubt (10)
25 Wild boyfriend hosting drunken spree (9)
26 One who makes an estimate of carbon released from mouth of volcano (5)
27 Seeing patient (13)

Down

2 Wife with bad flu in distress, getting plaintive (7)
3 Sell cheesy crackers in island nation (10)
4 Silly talk about conservative Dutch painter (5)
5 Men reviewed work in case relating to large company (9)
6 Enjoy procession for new king (4)
7 Partners having a row, getting more spiteful (7)
8 Televised street performers in ground (11)
10 Proper planning to catch alien rogue, one who has committed a crime (11)
13 Secluded by onset of Covid-19, son lazed around (10)
15 Retreats from hard course of action, constrained by feelings (9)
18 Persuades guy to go astray (5,2)
20 Tying the knot? Yes, lost and tense (7)
23 Swelling in back of knee troubled dame (5)
24 Fearsome terrorist crossing boundary (4)

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Solution to previous puzzle

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Solution to yesterday's Sudoku

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FAITH

Tributes to Lord Krishna

God reacts to us in the way we worship Him. To Yashodha and Nandagopa He played the role of a child par excellence, a friend to Kuchela, a philosopher and guide to Pandavas. From Bhishma's perspective, He was Lord to him.

Kuchela had not hailed from a famous lineage, had a big family and had been economically very poor. On the contrary, Bhishma belonged to the lineage of a great kingdom, was not married and was all rich. Both of them were loved alike by Lord Krishna for their devotion irrespective of their status.

During the Mahabharatha war, one day when Krishna was in meditation with His eyes closed, Yudhishtira came and asked Krishna whom you are thinking of. Krishna replied "I am now going to see the great grand seer Bhishma as he wanted to see me."

Yudhishtira too expressed his willingness to accompany Krishna. All the celestials, sages and seers did not want to miss witnessing the confluence of Bhishma, the embodiment of all sacrifice, Yudhishtira – the synonym of truthfulness, Krishna the Lord, at the venue of Kurukshetra – the place of righteousness.

Yudhishtira has requested Bhishma to tender few words of advice about Dharma. Bhishma was all happy even at the death bed and started telling about various dharmas.

Showering all tributes to Krishna, Bhishma composed Sri Vishnu Sahasranamam, praising the Lord by thousand names. Paying our gratitude to Bhishma by reciting Shri Vishnu Sahasranamam every day, we can derive His blessings, said Smt. Vishaka Hari in a harikatha discourse.

JENIN

19-year-old Palestinian killed by Israeli Army in West Bank raid

Israeli forces killed a Palestinian man during an Army raid on Monday, the Palestinian Health Ministry said, while the Israeli Army confirmed that its troops opened fire during an operation in the area targeting a "suspect". The Ministry said that the man killed in the northern Jenin area was a 19-year-old civilian. AFP

MANILA

Kamala Harris vows 'unwavering' U.S. support for the Philippines

The U.S. has an "unwavering" commitment to the Philippines, Vice President Kamala Harris told the country's president on Monday during a visit aimed at countering China and rebuilding ties. She is the highest-ranking U.S. official to visit Manila since President Ferdinand Marcos took power in June. AP

KATHMANDU

Less-known RSP emerging as dark horse in Nepal elections

The Rastriya Swatantra Party, floated by a former television personality, has emerged as the dark horse in the Nepal elections, coming third behind the Nepali Congress and the CPN-UML. The counting of votes started at 7 a.m. on Monday and continued till 5 p.m., a day after about 61% polling was recorded in the country. AP

KUALA LUMPUR

Despite anti-graft pledge, Anwar in talks with arch-rivals in Malaysia

Malaysian Opposition leader Anwar Ibrahim said on Monday he is in talks with the party of ex-premier Najib Razak, who is in jail for corruption, to form the next government after an inconclusive election. Mr. Anwar's coalition, which campaigned on an anti-graft ticket, won 82 seats in Saturday's election. AP

U.K. will promote skilled immigration: PM Rishi Sunak

We will unapologetically create one of the world's most attractive visa regimes for entrepreneurs and highly skilled people, said the PM, adding that he is committed to tackling illegal immigration

Sriram Lakshman
LONDON

British Prime Minister Rishi Sunak on Monday backed highly skilled migration to the U.K. while saying he would tackle illegal migration. The Prime Minister also ruled out any relationship with the European Union (EU), which involved a harmonisation of laws, as was the case before Britain exited the bloc.

Fresh framework: Rishi Sunak at the Confederation of Business Industry (CBI) annual conference in Birmingham on Monday. AFP

Innovation focus

Focusing largely on the theme of innovation in his address to the Confederation of British Industry (CBI) at its annual conference in Birmingham, Mr. Sunak said that to make the U.K. "a true island of innovation" it would need to "attract the best and the brightest from around the world".

"So we will unapologetically create one of the world's most attractive visa regimes for entrepreneurs and highly skilled people," he said, citing as an example, the field of artificial intelligence (AI), which, he said was not a new technology alone but a "general purpose" technology with wide ranging impact like the microchip or the steam engine.

"So we cannot allow the world's top AI talent to be drawn to America or China," Mr. Sunak said.

Rebuilding consent

"Part of the reason we ended the free movement of labour was to rebuild public consent in our immigration system," the Prime Minister said, adding that the British government needed to do more to build trust and confidence in the system.

"That means tackling illegal migration. And that's what I'm determined to do," he said.

Mr. Sunak is a supporter of the controversial Rwanda policy instituted during the Boris Johnson government. Under this policy, certain asylum seekers, many of whom reach the U.K. on boats via the English Channel, are relocated to Rwanda .

The policy, set up by former Home Secretary Priti Patel, was championed by Suella Braverman – whose comments on it being her "dream" and "obsession" to send migrants to Rwanda were deeply controversial. The policy has not yet been implemented, however, with the European Court of Human Rights grounding the first deportation flight in June.

Also controversial, were Ms. Braverman's comments in October on Indians being the largest group of visa overstayers had complicated the finalisation of a U.K.-India trade agreement before a *Deepavali* (October 24) deadline. The agreement is still being negotiated.

Trade deal with EU

On the question of the trade deal with the EU, the U.K.'s largest export market, and a loosening of immigration laws in response to U.K. labour shortages, Mr. Sunak said no deal could mean a harmonisaton of British and EU laws.

The U.K. "will not pursue any relationship with Europe that relies on alignment with EU laws" under his leadership, Mr. Sunak said.

"Now I voted for Brexit. I believe in Brexit and I know that Brexit can deliver and is already delivering enormous benefits and opportunities for the country. Migration being an immediate one...," he said.

Preceding Mr. Sunak's address, director of CBI, Tony Danker, had called for a "new deal on immigration" involving economic migration of individuals on fixed term visas to work in areas where the U.K. had shortages.

Qatar, China sign world's 'longest' gas supply deal

Agence France-Presse
DOHA

QatarEnergy announced a 27-year natural gas supply deal with China on Monday, calling it the "longest" ever seen as it strengthened ties with Asia at a time when Europe is scrambling for alternative sources.

The state energy company will send four million tonnes of liquefied natural gas annually from its new North Field East project to China Petroleum and Chemical Corporation (Sinopec), it said.

The deal "marks the longest gas supply agreement in the history of the LNG industry", said Saad Sherida Al-Kaabi, Qatar's Energy Minister and QatarEnergy's chief executive.

Asian countries led by China, Japan and South Korea are the main market for Qatar's gas, which is increasingly being sought by European countries since Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

Mutual benefits: QatarEnergy CEO Saad al-Kaabi attending a signing ceremony with Sinopec, in Doha, on Monday. REUTERS

Negotiations with European countries have struggled as Germany and others have baulked at signing the sort of long-term deals made with Asian nations.

North Field is at the centre of Qatar's expansion of its liquefied natural gas production by more than 60% to 126 million tonnes a year by 2027.

China is the first country to seal a deal for North Field East.

The accord would "further solidify the excellent bilateral relations between the China and the State of Qatar and help meet China's growing energy needs", Mr. Kaabi said.

Tokayev set to return as Kazakh President

Reuters
ASTANA

Kazakh President Kassym-Jomart Tokayev secured a second term in Sunday's snap election, winning 81.31% of the vote, the country's Central Election Commission said on Monday. He had been widely expected to extend his rule over the oil-rich nation by seven more years.

Voter turnout was 69.44%, with five other candidates scoring in the low single digits.

Mr. Tokayev won his first election in 2019 with the backing of predecessor Nursultan Nazarbayev, but the two fell out this year amid violent unrest in the nation of 20 million, and Sunday's vote consolidated his power as an independent leader.

Government of Karnataka
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROJECT, SEDAM

No. CDPOS/EST/AMAMASE/DIPAPRA/2022-23 Date : 21-11-2022

MOFIDIFICATION / ADDITION TENDER NOTIFICATION

e-Tender was invited by this office vide Tender Notice No.: CDPOS/WCDD/ICDS/Egg/Tender/2022-23 Date: 07.11.2022 for supply eggs to Anganwadi's and modifications have been made to eligibility Sl. No. 6, 8 9 and Sl. No. 14 has been included. Tenderers interested in participating should view these in e-tender portal and for further information should contact the office of the Child Development Project Officer Sedam during office hours.

Sd/- Child Development Project Officer, Sedam, D: Kalaburagi.

DIP/Kalaburagi/855/MC&A/2022-23

OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS (HEAD OF FOREST FORCE)
Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru - 560 003. Phone: 080-23346551.

No: KFD/HOFF/B10(TND)/4/2022-ICT-KFD Date: 19/11/2022

KARNATAKA FOREST DEPARTMENT

Tender notification for Supply & Installation of All-in-one-Desktop Computers and supply of Microsoft Office 2021 Standard perpetual licenses.

The Karnataka Forest Department (KFD) has published e-tender No. FD/2022-23/IND 1999 dated: 19-11-2022 in the e-procurement portal of Government of Karnataka for Supply & Installation of All-in-one-Desktop Computers with five years Comprehensive Warranty and supply of Microsoft Office 2021 Standard perpetual licenses, across various offices of KFD. The e-tender No.FD/2022-23/IND 1999 dated: 19-11-2022 can be accessed through https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in. Interested bidders may download the detailed tender notification from the e-procurement website. The last date for submission of tender is 09-12-2022 at 5.30 PM. The technical bid will be opened on 12-12-2022, 3:00 PM and financial bid will be opened on 15-12-2022, 11.30 AM or after completion of evaluation of technical bid.

Sd/-
Chief Conservator of Forests, (Information Communication Technology)

DIPR/CP/VCPL/3185/2022-23

162 dead after 5.6 magnitude earthquake hits Java island

Agence France Presse
CIANJUR

A shallow 5.6-magnitude earthquake killed at least 162 people, with hundreds injured and others missing, when it toppled buildings and triggered landslides on Indonesia's main island of Java on Monday, officials said.

"I regret to inform that 162 are dead. 326 are injured with most of them sustained fractures from being crushed in ruins," Ridwan Kamil, Governor of worst-hit province West Java said. He said most of the victims were children.

Indonesia's disaster mitigation agency said 25 people remained trapped under the rubble as the rescue mission stretched into the night. The agency said more than 2,000 houses were damaged and Mr. Kamil said more than 13,000 people were taken to evacuation centres.

Skeletal structure: A school building that collapsed in Cianjur as a result of an earthquake in Indonesia on Monday. REUTERS

Mr. Kamil said power had been partially restored by the evening. The afternoon quake was centred in the Cianjur region and authorities earlier said as many as 700 had been wounded, warning the death toll could rise further.

Kremlin vows action against the 'murder' of its soldiers

Agence France-Presse
MOSCOW

The Kremlin said on Monday it would bring to justice people responsible for the "murder" of Russian soldiers in Ukraine after footage surfaced online and spurred mutual war crime allegations from Kyiv and Moscow.

"Without a doubt, Russia will itself search for those who committed this crime. They must be found and punished," Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov said. Russia "will do everything within the framework of international mechanisms to draw attention to this crime," he added.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the **Original General Power of Attorney** dated **18.06.1999** executed by Sri. L.Vasudeva Raju in favour Sri. N.Nagaraja Reddy pertaining to the Schedule Property is lost during the transit and untraceable. Our clients **Sri. SIDDARAMAPPA**, residing at No. 907, 1st Main, 5th Block, 7th Cross, HMT Layout, Vidyaranyapura, Bengaluru – 560097 and **Sri. K.R.KRISHNAMURTHY**, residing at No. 4, 9th Cross, Krishnappa Block, Ganganagar, R.T Nagar, Bengaluru - 560032 are the absolute owners of Schedule Property and they have lodged a Police complaint on 21-11-2022 for loss of the aforesaid Original General Power of attorney dated 18.06.1999.

Anybody transacting in respect of the Schedule Property with any person/s shall be doing so at their own risk and cost and our client shall not be responsible for the same in any manner.

If any person/s finds out the same, the Public is hereby requested to return the same to the address mentioned hereunder and for which my client is highly obliged and thankful.

SCHEDULE

Residential property bearing **Site No.706** and **Municipal Corporation No.671/2351/706**, in the layout known as '**HMT Layout**, formed by the HMT Employees' Co-operative House Building Society Ltd at **Survey Nos. 34 to 39, 41 to 51** (portion) of Narasipura Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore District, within the limits of BBMP Ward No.9 of Vidyaranyapura, measuring East to West: 80 feet and North to South: 50 feet and bounded by:

East : Road;
West : Site Nos.718 & 719;
North : Site No.705;
South : Site No.707

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DISTRICT URBAN DEVELOPMENT CELL, OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
MYSURU DISTRICT MYSURU.
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No.Mun(4) Amrutha Nagarothana Phase-4/Hunsur/CR-46/2022-23 Date: 18.11.2022

SHORT TERM RE-TENDER NOTIFICAITON (Through e-Procurement Portal)

Short term tender invited for Below mentioned work on 12-10-2022 has been Cancelled due to Some Technical Reasons and same is retendered As per KTPP Act 1999 and Rules 2000 under Amrutha Nagarothana (Municipality) Phase-4 Scheme, Eligible contractors may apply through e-Procurement Portal **www.eprocurement.karnataka.gov.in** (Rs.in Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of Work & Indent Number	Amount put to Tender	E.M.D
1.	Construction of road and Drain Works in Hunsur CMC limits DMA/2022-23/OW/Work_Indent/135305/Call-3	1053.25	15.00

Prebid Meeting **Date : 25-11-2022, 3.00 PM.** Last date of tender submission: **03-12-2022, Up to 5.30 PM.** Date of opening of Technical Bid: **05-12-2022, 11.00 AM.** Any changes in the tender schedule will be notified through e-Procurement Portal only and not through News Papers. For details contact District Urban Development Cell, Mysuru DC Office new building Bannuru Road Mysuru.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
District Urban Development Cell, Mysuru District, Mysuru.

DIPR/MYS/KAVITA/696/2022-23

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು, ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ ವಿಭಾಗ ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟ ಇವರ ಕಛೇರಿ.

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ಲೋಇಬಾವಿಃಪಿಬಿ:ಕೆಡಬ್ಲು:2022–23/3396 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 19.11.2022

ಟೆಂಡರ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ ಆದ್ಯಾದೇಶ 1999–2000ರ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಅಕ್ಟ 2000ರ ನಿಯಮದಂತೆ ಸ್ಟಾಂಡರ್ಡ ಬಿಡ್ ಡಾಕ್ಯುಮೆಂಟ ಕೆ/ಡಬ್ಲೂ–1,2,3,4 ನಿಯಮದನ್ವಯ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೊಂದಾಯಿತರಾದ ಅರ್ಹಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟ ವಿಭಾಗದ ಅಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿಯ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಾಣಿಸಿದ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ಟೆಂಡರ ಅಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ವರ್ಕ ಇಂಡೆಂಟ್ ನಂ:**ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ: 159823, 155226, 149959, 154826, 159371, 160162, 133804 ಕಾಲ್–2, 156116 ಕಾಲ್–2, 156118 ಕಾಲ್–2, 156119 ಕಾಲ್–2, 158309, 160892, 160893, 160894, 160895, 160896, 160897, 159046, 161222, 161223, 161224**

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ಈ ಎಲ್ಲ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ಗರಿಷ್ಠ ಟೆಂಡರಗಿಟ್ಟ ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ **990.00** ಲಕ್ಷ ಹಾಗೂ ಕನಿಷ್ಠ ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. **10.00** ಲಕ್ಷಗಳ ವರೆಗಿನ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಟೆಂಡರಅಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಅ)	ಪ್ರೀಬಿಡ್ ಮಿಟಿಂಗ್	**25–11–2022 ರಂದು ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ 11–30 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ**
ಬ)	ಟೆಂಡರಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಗಾಗಿ ನಿಗಧಿ ಪಡಿಸಿದ ದಿನಾಂಕ:	**28–11–2022 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 5–30 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ**
ಕ)	ಟೆಂಡರ ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ:	**29–11–2022 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 4–00 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ**
ಡ)	ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್‌ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ:	**30–11–2022 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 4.30 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ**
ಬ)	ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್‌ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ:	**01–12–2022. ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 4.30 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ**

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ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು,
ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ ವಿಭಾಗ ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟ.

ವಾ.ಸಾ.ಇ/ಬಾಗಲಕೋಟ/611/2022–23/ದೇಶಪಾಂಡೆಪಬ್ಲಿಸಿಟಿ

Erdogan mulling ground operation in Syria

Agence France-Presse
ISTANBUL

Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan said on Monday he was mulling going beyond air strikes and launching a ground operation in Syria following a deadly rocket strike on a Turkish border town.

Mr. Erdogan also renewed warnings that those attacking Turkey will pay dearly, a day after Ankara's forces launched air raids on bases of outlawed Kurdish groups in northern Syria and Iraq.

"There is no question that this operation be limited to only an aerial operation," Mr. Erdogan told reporters.

Mr. Erdogan spoke after a rocket strike from Syrian territory killed at least three persons, including a child, in a border Turkish town.

Mr. Erdogan said consultations were ongoing on the strength of Ankara's military response and added that the weekend strikes were carried out by "70 planes and drones" who "penetrated 140 km into northern Iraq and 20 km into northern Syria."

INBRIEF

ALL plans to unveil left-hand drive 'Dost' for W. Asia, Africa

Hinduja group flagship company Ashok Leyland is currently engaged in testing of its highly popular light commercial vehicle 'Dost' with left hand drive (LHD) option as it plans to serve the West Asian and African markets, said executive chairman Dheeraj Hinduja. Elaborating, Mr. Hinduja said that the international operation team was currently engaged in testing the products to serve the overseas markets that have the left-hand drive option. PTI

L&T hires more than 3,000 engineering trainees in FY23

Larsen & Toubro (L&T) on Monday said it had hired more than 3,000 fresh engineering trainees in the current financial year. The on boarding of more than 3,000 graduate and postgraduate engineering trainees in the ongoing fiscal marks a more than three-fold rise as against 1,067 trainees last fiscal. The number of women engineers hired has more than quadrupled to 1,009 trainees in FY23 from 248 trainees in FY22, the engineering and construction firm said. PTI

Bharti raises minimum tariff 57%, pan-India roll-out likely

Bharti Airtel has increased the price of its minimum recharge for 28 days mobile phone service plan by about 57% to ₹155 in Haryana and Odisha, according to the company's website and analysts. The company has stopped its minimum recharge plan of ₹99, under which it offered 200 megabyte of data. According to sources, the company has started trial of the new plan and is likely to roll out the same across India based on the result. PTI

Industry seeks Budget measures to spur demand amid global slowdown

Finance Minister Sitharaman begins pre-Budget consultations with business leaders, with focus on industry, infrastructure and climate change in the meetings; industrialists urge reduction in income tax burden on households, import duty cuts

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Monday began consultations for the 2023-24 Union Budget, with industry captains seeking measures to revive domestic demand and create jobs to counter headwinds from slowing global growth.

Apart from a reduction in the income tax burden for households, industry captains urged the government to bring petroleum products, ATF and electricity into the GST regime, cut import duties and expand the scope of tax rebates granted to exporters.

Budget prelude: Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman chairs her first pre-Budget 2023 consultation in New Delhi on Monday. PTI

"At this crucial juncture of geopolitical uncertainties, high inflation and slowing world economic growth, calibrated steps to enhance domestic sources of growth would be crucial to maintain a steady economic growth trajectory," PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry president Saket Dalmia told top finance ministry officials.

The Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) suggested significantly lowering income tax slab rates for individuals earning up to ₹20 lakh, arguing that the 'brunt of inflation falls on taxpayers in the lower and middle-income group'.

"While the cost of living has increased, there is no respite in the income tax liability which has remained constant squeezing these taxpayers from both ends," CII noted, and flagged the widened differential between personal and corporate tax rates.

"The highest marginal rate for individuals has now gone up to 42.7% against the normal corporate tax rate of 25.2%. The huge gap in the tax rates... is leading to several structuring decisions being adopted in favour of corporate model (for example, proprietorship business moving to company format)," CII pointed out.

Monday's meetings focused on issues of industry and infrastructure.

Crisil pares GDP growth view to 7%, cites global slowdown

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Rating agency Crisil on Monday pared its 2022-23 real GDP growth forecast to 7%, from 7.3% estimated earlier, and said it expects the economy to face more stress in 2023-24 with growth likely to slow to 6% due to the global slowdown and tightening financial conditions in India.

While decelerating global growth has started to impact India's exports and industrial activity, Crisil reckoned that this year's growth would be propped up by domestic demand, led by a catch-up in contact-based services activity, government capital spending, and an 'overall normal monsoon for the fourth time in a row'.

In 2023-24, the gloomier global outlook will spill over to India as well, the firm said, even as domestic demand could come under pressure as interest rate increases get transmitted more to consumers, and the rebound in contact-based services fades. Crisil had earlier pegged next fiscal's expansion at 6.5%.

"Industrial activity in India has begun to feel the tremors", Crisil noted, citing a slowdown in exports since July, which has also affected domestic industrial momentum. It expects inflation to average 6.8% this year, before easing to 5% in 2023-24.

Many including Crisil, ICRA Ratings and Bank of Baroda see second-quarter growth halving from Q1 to 6.5%. BoB economist Jahnavi Prabhakar cited an 'across the board moderation owing to a base effect'.

China fears send oil to near 2-month low

Reuters
LONDON

Oil prices slipped to trade near two-month lows on Monday, having earlier slid by about $1 a barrel, as supply fears receded while concerns over fuel demand from China and U.S. dollar strength weighed on prices.

Brent crude futures for January had slipped 52 cents, or 0.6%, to $87.10 a barrel by 1326 GMT. The benchmark closed Friday at its lowest since September 27, extending losses for a second week.

"Apart from the weakened demand outlook due to China's COVID curbs, a rebound in the U.S. dollar today is also a bearish factor for oil prices," said CMC Markets analyst Tina Teng.

"Risk sentiment becomes fragile as all the recent major countries' economic data point to a recessionary scenario," she said, adding hawkish comments from the U.S. Federal Reserve also sparked concerns over the U.S. economic outlook.

MARKETS

MARKET WATCH

	MONDAY	% CHANGE
Sensex	61,145	-0.84
US Dollar	81.79	-0.06
Gold	52,847	-0.70
Brent oil	86.02	-

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	PRICE	CHANGE
Adani Enter	4001.85	-17.95
Adani Ports	871.60	-17.30
Apollo Hosp	4418.85	19.70
Asian Paints	3095.30	-0.20
Axis Bank	870.05	10.85
Bajaj Auto	3619.50	-13.45
Bajaj Finserv	1635.85	-18.55
Bajaj Finance	6679.10	-112.40
Bharti Airtel	851.20	13.90
BPCL	310.30	6.20
Britannia Ind	4120.05	14.00
Cipla	1104.45	2.05
Coal India	229.45	-0.10
Divis Lab	3265.95	-21.40
Dr Reddys Lab	4349.85	-59.20
Eicher Motors	3378.60	-11.65
Grasim Ind	1682.40	-26.45
HCL Tech	1095.50	-7.65
HDFC	2618.90	-48.15
HDFC Bank	1597.35	-16.55
HDFC Life	532.35	0.80
Hero MotoCorp	2677.45	-45.70
Hindalco	430.55	-8.05
Hind Unilever	2501.40	17.70
ICICI Bank	921.40	1.05
IndusInd Bank	1139.00	10.35
Infosys	1568.20	-25.20
ITC	337.20	-3.85
JSW Steel	696.55	-11.65
Kotak Bank	1944.10	-15.45
L&T	2011.45	-13.00
M&M	1218.25	-8.90
Maruti Suzuki	8865.20	17.15
NestleIndia	19761.70	-163.40
NTPC	164.40	-1.45
ONGC	135.45	-6.30
PowerGrid Corp	219.05	0.70
Reliance Ind	2550.90	-46.75
SBI Life	1226.60	-16.15
State Bank	598.10	-4.60
Sun Pharma	1003.15	-6.45
TataConsumerProduct	770.95	-4.75
Tata Motors	421.10	-2.70
Tata Steel	104.25	-1.25
TCS	3283.50	-59.95
Tech Mahindra	1042.60	-18.25
Titan	2573.35	7.55
UltraTech Cement	6754.85	-59.60
UPL	759.60	-6.35
Wipro	388.65	-5.20

EXCHANGE RATES

Indicative direct rates in rupees a unit except yen at 4 p.m. on November 21

CURRENCY	TT BUY	TT SELL
US Dollar	81.64	81.96
Euro	83.57	83.90
British Pound	96.44	96.83
Japanese Yen (100)	57.61	57.84
Chinese Yuan	11.39	11.44
Swiss Franc	85.11	85.45
Singapore Dollar	59.06	59.30
Canadian Dollar	60.79	61.04
Malaysian Ringitt	17.83	17.91
Australian Dollar	54.05	54.26

Source:Indian Bank

Essar repays $25 billion to Indian lenders after asset sale

The Hindu Bureau
MUMBAI

The Essar group said it had become 'debt-free from Indian' lenders by completing the repayment of $25 billion (₹2 lakh crore) following the conclusion of the sale of its captive port and power assets at Hazira and Paradip to Arcelor Mittal/ Nippon Steel India Ltd. (AM/NS).

"We have monetised assets that we built over last 30 years," said Rewant Ruia, director, Essar Ports Terminals. "We are now reinvesting in our existing operations and in building new assets, both in India and overseas, with... new-age technologies, which will be sustainable."

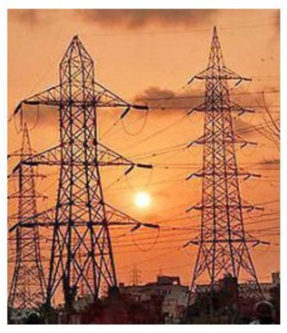
Private firms urge ministry to debar Power Grid from bidding

The Hindu Bureau
MUMBAI

Private power transmission firms have urged the Union Power Ministry to debar the Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. (PGCIL) from all current and future rounds of tariff-based competitive bidding (TBCB) for transmission lines till the conflict of interest between the latter and the Central Transmission Utility of India Ltd. (CTUIL) is resolved.

Earlier, the Electric Power Transmission Association (EPTA) had urged the power ministry to ensure arm's length between the CTUIL and all bidders to bring sanctity to TBCB.

The association had said that while competitive bidding was beneficial to the industry and consumers, the mechanism could not be completely transparent and successful because of PGCIL's "disproportionate control and influence" over the CTUIL.



Providing specific examples of conflict of interest, EPTA said that the Director (Projects) of Power Grid was the chairman of the Board of Directors of CTUIL. In addition, the Director (Projects) also heads all special purpose vehicles (SPVs) set up for each of the successful bids achieved by PGCIL.

Further, all expenses of CTUIL continue to be funded by PGCIL. According to EPTA, tenders in which the power grid participated are conceived and designed based on CTUIL's recommendations.

"The participation of PGCIL as a tenderer in bids for transmission projects conceived, designed and issued at the instance and on the advice of the CTUIL is thus a textbook case of conflict of interest offering PGCIL undue advantage in formulating bids and planning business strategy well in advance compared to the rest of the market," the association said.

'Sovereign investors favour U.S., India as top investment markets'

Reuters
LONDON

India has emerged as the second most coveted investment market after the United States for sovereign wealth funds and public pensions funds in 2022, according to a study by asset manager Invesco published on Monday.

Sovereign investors, which now manage some $33 trillion in assets, have also seen a rapid rise in allocations to private markets, though this development might start to slow with fixed income back in favour, the Invesco Global Sovereign Asset Management Study said.

Investors have commended India's positive economic reforms and strong demographic profile

"Over the last 10 years sovereign investors have invested with the wind at their backs thanks to the secular bull market that emerged from the global financial crisis," said Rod Ringrow, Invesco's head of official institutions.

Average annual returns for sovereign investors over the past decade stood at 6.5% and, for sovereign wealth funds alone, at 10% in 2021, Invesco found.

While the U.S. remained the top destination, some sovereign investors were keen to rebalance portfolios, fearing they had become overly reliant on U.S. markets which left them vulnerable to the correction in equity markets seen this year, Invesco said.

Among developing nations, India has overtaken China as the most popular emerging market, having climbed to No. 2 in 2022 from No. 9 in 2014.

"While this is partly because funds with dedicated Asian allocations are trimming their China exposure, investors have commended India's positive economic reforms and strong demographic profile," the study found. China currently ranks in sixth place.

Nayara ships 80% of fuel to Asia, Africa, none to EU

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

Nayara Energy, India's second-largest private oil refinery, exported more than 80% of fuel to Asia, West Asia and Africa during the first seven months of the current fiscal, with only minuscule volumes to the U.K. and none to the European Union (EU), a company official said.

"The diesel exported by Nayara Energy does not fit the winter-specific diesel requirement of the European Union, therefore we do not export to this market," a company spokesperson said.

BACK IN THE MIX

Denmark aims to make it special for Eriksen; Tunisia targets KOs

When Denmark meets Tunisia in the World Cup on Tuesday, it will mark Christian Eriksen's return to a major tournament after his cardiac arrest at last year's Euro where the team made the semifinals. Tunisia is seeking to advance from the group stage for the first time in its sixth appearance at the mega event.

IN SEARCH OF A GOAL

Lewandowski and Poland ready for the Mexico challenge

As Poland's all-time leading scorer, Robert Lewandowski is still missing something from his collection: A goal at the World Cup. That could change on Tuesday against Mexico, Poland's opening opponent in Group C. At 34, this World Cup may be Lewandowski's last chance for a coveted goal in football's biggest event.

CAMPAIGN BEGINS

Depleted France goes up against Australia in its opener

Even without Karim Benzema, defending champion France has plenty of firepower. Most teams would love to have Kylian Mbappe, Antoine Griezmann or Olivier Giroud in their forward line, but France does not have the same assurance in midfield. That is where Australia could trouble it in their Group D match on Tuesday.

NO DISTRACTION

Ronaldo says row with Man United won't affect Portugal team

Cristiano Ronaldo said on Monday his row with Manchester United would not have an adverse effect on Portugal at the World Cup. Ronaldo was suspended for United's 1-1 draw at Chelsea after refusing to come on as a substitute against Tottenham last month. He claimed he felt "provoked" into that reaction by Erik ten Hag.

Imperious England demolishes Iran for a tennis-like result

Three Lions' teenage bravehearts come to the fore with a superlative performance; Team Melli left picking up the pieces

FIFA WORLD CUP

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Sweetly timed: Saka makes a neat connection to blast home England's second. GETTY IMAGES

England captain Harry Kane abandoned the "OneLove" rainbow captain's armband amidst fears of a instant yellow card from the referees at the FIFA World Cup, but his Iranian counterpart Ehsan Hajsafi and his colleagues risked a far scarier retribution by choosing not to lend their voice during the playing of their country's national anthem.

Their courageous display, however, didn't stop England from running away with an authoritative 6-2 win at the Khalifa Stadium.

Jude Bellingham, the 19-year-old protegee, was the first to find the net with a looping header over substitute goalkeeper Hossein Hosseini in the 35th minute.

Earlier Iran's first-choice 'keeper Alireza Beiranvand suffered a concussion after crashing into a retreating Majid Hosseini while tipping away a Kane cross in the eighth minute.

After a lengthy treatment, he tried soldiering on, but sense prevailed and he was finally stretchered off in the 20th minute. England's second came with Bukayo Saka making a neat connection to send a bouncing ball thundering into the top right corner after Harry Maguire had headed down a corner from Luke Shaw.

Raheem Sterling added the third in the first minute of the 14 minutes of injury time. Bellingham was the creator this time, manoeuvring his way past a few challenges to spread it wide to Kane inside the box, who unselfishly played a low cross to Sterling.

In a much mellower second half, Saka added his second and England's fourth in the 62nd minute after Sterling drove past a heavy challenge to feed his young teammate.

With still plenty to do, the Arsenal winger dodged past three defenders to find the target.

To the joys of Iranian fans, Mehdi Taremi scored in the 65th minute after Ali Gholizadeh sent a reverse pass his way.

England, however, was not finished as substitute Marcus Rashford slotted in the next in the 71st with the sixth coming from Jack Grealish.

VAR drama

But there was still time for a late VAR drama and a consolation penalty strike for Taremi after John Stones was found guilty of pulling Morteza Pouraliganji's shirt inside the box.

The result:

Group B: England 6 (Bellingham 35, Saka 43, 62, Sterling 45+1, Rashford 71, Grealish 90) bt Iran 2 (Taremi 65, 90+13-pen).

The Dutch leave it late before getting the better of Senegal

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Topshot: Gakpo's, left, unchecked run and header caught the Senegal defence napping. AFP

Late goals by Cody Gakpo and Davy Klaassen gave the Netherlands a 2-0 victory over African champion Senegal on Monday on its return to the World Cup stage.

With Senegal missing injured star man Sadio Mane and the Dutch without main attacking threat Memphis Depay at kick-off, the Group A encounter in Doha looked set to end in a goalless draw.

But with just six minutes remaining PSV Eindhoven forward Gakpo got up in front of Senegal goalkeeper Edouard Mendy to head in a floated Frenkie de Jong cross from the left.

Substitute Klaassen then secured the victory deep in injury time, following up to score after Mendy had saved from Depay, who had also come off the bench. The result leaves the Netherlands level at the top of the group with Ecuador.

Louis van Gaal's side plays Ecuador on Friday, while Senegal now faces a must-win contest against Qatar.

Mane's absence was clearly felt as the contest at Al Thumama Stadium – played out to the backdrop of the non-stop drumming and dancing of the Senegal support, but also in front of a considerable number of empty seats – never lived up to its billing.

Everton midfielder Idrissa Gana Gueye came closest to scoring for Senegal with a strike on the half-volley from the edge of the box that was beaten away by Netherlands goalkeeper Andries Noppert in the 73rd minute.

Noppert, the giant Heerenveen goalkeeper who was making his international debut, also excelled with saves from Boulaye Dia and Pape Gueye in the second half as the Netherlands played its first World Cup game in eight years.

The three-time runner-up was semi-finalists under Van Gaal in Brazil in 2014 before failing to qualify for the last World Cup in Russia in 2018.

The Dutch team was captained by Virgil van Dijk.

The result: Group A:

Senegal 0 lost to the Netherlands 2 (Gakpo 84, Klaassen 90+9).

Messi takes centrestage as Argentina faces S. Arabia

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In focus: Messi's brief cameo during the training session was put down to workload management. GETTY IMAGES

Lionel Messi will again set off on a quest for the holy grail at the Lusail Stadium, the largest of the eight World Cup grounds as Argentina takes on Saudi Arabia in its group opener.

There's an ever-hanging cloud of expectation around the Argentine star to deliver a virtuoso performance to not only end his nation's long wait for the World Cup, but also deliver this edition its own folklore that will stand the test of immortality.

Anxious moment

Raising everybody's anxiety levels, the 35-year-old was present for just four of the 15-minute open training session two days before this eagerly awaited match. An Achilles injury had kept him away from a Champions League and a Ligue 1 game for Paris Saint-Germain just ahead of the tournament.

But the news from the Argentine camp indicates the absence from training was more to do with managing his workload.

Lisandro Martinez, Rodrigo De Paul, Angel Di Maria, Nicolas Otamendi and Juan Foyth, too, were missing in this knockabout.

Messi is, thankfully, expected to start, part of a forward triangle with Di Maria and Lautaro Martinez as its tip. Cristian Romero with his settled partner Otamendi and full-backs Nahuel Molina and Marcos Acuna has ensured a clean sheet in Argentina's last five victories.

Leandro Paredes, sitting in the heart of the midfield, will offer extra cover to the defence, which has dealt with too few heavyweight oppositions in Argentina's astonishing 35-match unbeaten run.

Attacking thrust

Alexis Mac Allister and De Paul will offer the attacking thrust as the nation looks to shrug off 36 years of disappointment.

The attention, though, will only be on one man. Messi, with 12 goals and 14 assists in 19 matches, is enjoying his best club form in his 19th season as a professional.

In national colours, his returns are even more astounding this year with 11 goals in seven games.

Guest appearance?

Saudi Arabia – will try to do more than making a guest appearance in this yet-to-release movie that the fans want to watch only for its hero.

Herve Renard's men don't have the most positive record in its last six games with three draws and a loss and will miss the experience of forward Fahad Al-Muwallad, who failed a dope test in May.

Their threat will come from the links with Salem Al-Dawsari operating on the left and Saleh Al-Shehri on the other side.

But the world will hope that Argentina takes the sting out of this Arabian attack and sets Messi on for a World Cup triumph.

TODAY'S FIESTA

KICK OFF: 3.30 P.M. IST

KICK OFF: 9.30 P.M. IST

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KICK OFF: 12.30 A.M. (WED)

One last try to achieve my dream, says Messi

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An older and wiser Lionel Messi stressed on enjoying every bit of his last World Cup. "Age makes you see things differently. You give more importance to small details, which I didn't do before. Today enjoying is more important than everything else," he said. "This World Cup is very special for me. Probably the last one to try and achieve my dream."

Accepting that there's always pressure when playing for the national side, the Argentine captain said: "Anxiety and nervousness exists... for most players in our team, it's their first World Cup. Tomorrow [Tuesday] we'll have a tough game."

Urging his younger teammates to live in the moment, Messi said: "It's very difficult to tell them that they must enjoy their time. When I was young, I didn't know how to enjoy, I just played and then worried about the next game. But they should enjoy the people, the atmosphere as you never know if you will play another World Cup.

"It's beautiful that many people who are not Argentine want us to be champions.

"I am grateful for the love I have received throughout my career."

Waiting in the wings: Umran's raw pace can prove to be a fine foil to Chahal's guile. GETTY IMAGES

Will Umran, Samson get a chance to serve?

INDIA IN NZ

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Will India, needing a drastic change of approach, give the likes of Umran Malik and Sanju Samson a chance is the question on several lips ahead of the third and final Twenty20 International against New Zealand here on Tuesday.

India's PowerPlay approach has been a major concern. Rishabh Pant was tried at the top with Ishan Kishan in the second game but the move did not work. Samson is a batter who can make an instant impact.

Meanwhile, Umran's exclusion was rather surprising as there is a pressing need for an out-and-out quick bowler in T20s. In Jasprit Bumrah's absence, Umran, who played three T20s earlier this year, needs to be exposed to the pressure of playing a top team.

No Williamson

New Zealand will take the field without skipper Kane Williamson, who will miss the game due to a medical appointment. In his absence, the team will rely even more on opener Finn Allen and Glenn Phillips.

The squads: New Zealand: Finn Allen, Michael Bracewell, Devon Conway (wk), Lockie Ferguson, Daryl Mitchell, Adam Milne, Jimmy Neesham, Glenn Phillips, Mitchell Santner, Tim Southee (Capt.), Ish Sodhi, Blair Tickner and Mark Chapman.

India: Hardik Pandya (Capt.), Rishabh Pant, Ishan Kishan, Shubman Gill, Deepak Hooda, Suryakumar Yadav, Shreyas Iyer, Sanju Samson, Washington Sundar, Yuzvendra Chahal, Kuldeep Yadav, Harshal Patel, Mohammed Siraj, Bhuvneshwar Kumar, Arshdeep Singh and Umran Malik.

Match starts at 12 noon IST.

Records galore

Jagadeesan created a List A World record when he smashed 277 for Tamil Nadu against Arunachal Pradesh in the Vijay Hazare Trophy on Monday. The 26-year-old, who rewrote the mark (men) set by Surrey's Alistair Brown (268 vs Glamorgan, 2002), was also involved in a host of World records.

New World highs

277 Jagadeesan's score is the highest in List A history

5 His consecutive List A hundreds (men), the best ever. The previous record of four on the trot was jointly held by Kumar Sangakkara, Alviro Petersen and Devdutt Padikkal

200/114 Jagadeesan's double century off 114 balls is the joint fastest (men) with Travis Head (South Australia vs. Queensland, 2021)

416 Jagadeesan and Sai Sudharsan's opening wicket association is the biggest in List A matches (men) and the duo became the first to share a stand of 400 and more

506/2 Tamil Nadu's total is the first instance of a team crossing 500 in List A contests (men)

Double centuries by Indians in List A

277 Jagadeesan (TN vs Arunachal), 2022	**209** Rohit Sharma (India vs Aus), 2013
264 Rohit Sharma (India vs SL), 2014	**208*** Rohit Sharma (India vs SL), 2017
248 Shikhar Dhawan (India-A vs SA-A), 2013	**203** Yashasvi Jaiswal (Mum vs Jharkhand), 2019
227* Prithvi Shaw (Mum vs Pondicherry), 2021	**202** Karn Kaushal (Uttarakhand vs Sikkim), 2018
219 Virender Sehwag (India vs WI), 2011	**200*** Sachin Tendulkar (India vs SA), 2010
212* Sanju Samson (Ker vs Goa), 2019	**200** Samarth Vyas (Saurashtra vs Manipur), 2022

Virat's unbeaten knock helps Jharkhand surprise Delhi

Mayank and Nikkin guide Karnataka to victory after Koushik, Gowtham and Shreyas pick up three wickets apiece to bundle out Sikkim for a paltry total of 117

HAZARE TROPHY

Y.B. Sarangi
KOLKATA

Captain Virat Singh led from the front by scoring an unbeaten century as Jharkhand defeated Delhi by five wickets in Elite Group-B of the Vijay Hazare Trophy tournament at the CCFC ground here on Monday.

After Delhi, opting to bat, made 259 for five, Virat (116 n.o., 128b, 14x4, 2x6) steered Jharkhand to its fifth victory on a track where the odd ball kept low.

Karnataka and Assam also recorded wins in their respective matches over Sikkim and Vidarbha to be tied on 20 points with Jharkhand ahead of the final round of group engagements on Wednesday.

Recovery

Jharkhand recovered from 41 for three as Virat and Saurabh Tiwary (32, 44b, 2x4, 1x6) patiently stood for a 65-run stand.

Guiding force: Virat took the side past the finish line on a tricky wicket where the odd ball kept low. FILE PHOTO

Virat then forged a decisive 118-run partnership, off just 96 balls, with young wicketkeeper-batter Kumar Kushagra (49, 40b, 5x4, 1x6) as Delhi struggled due to its sloppy ground fielding.

The left-handed Virat started slowly before pressing on the accelerator. He was strong on the off-side, cutting and driving with aplomb. Kushagra, who executed some well-timed drives, played Shivank Vashisth to long-off when his team needed only 36 runs.

Nevertheless, Virat hung on to see his side home.

Earlier, after captain Nitish Rana (51, 52b, 4x4, 2x6) and Yash Dhull (49, 78b, 7x4) laid the foundation with an 80-run stand, Ayush Badoni (91 n.o., 69b, 9x4, 4x6) played a vital knock to add 98 with Lalit Yadav (29, 50b, 2x4) and take Delhi past the 250-run mark despite Jharkhand's tight bowling.

At the Eden Gardens, Karnataka's V. Koushik, K. Gowtham and Shreyas Gopal claimed three wickets apiece to bundle out Sikkim for 117.

An 81-run stand between skipper Mayank Agarwal (54 n.o., 57b, 7x4) and Nikkin Jose (43 n.o., 52b, 4x4) guided Karnataka to a six-wicket win.

MONDAY'S HAZARE TROPHY SCORES

Group-A: At New Delhi: Manipur 132 in 32.3 overs (Kangabam Singh 44) lost to Uttar Pradesh 133/2 in 19.2 overs (Madhav Kaushik 75 n.o.).

Gujarat 248/9 in 50 overs (Kathan Patel 109) lost to Hyderabad 251/6 in 49 overs (Rohit Rayudu 109, Tilak Varma 65, Bhavesh Seth 42).

Himachal Pradesh 302/8 in 50 overs (Prashant Chopra 69, Ekant Sen 116) lost to Chandigarh 303/5 in 49.5 overs (Arslan Khan 107, Manan Vohra 42, Akshit Rana 58, Gaurav Puri 57 n.o.).

Tripura 133 in 42.1 overs lost to Saurashtra 134/6 in 36.5 overs (Arpit Vasavada 51 n.o., Rana Dutta 4/29).

Group-B: At Kolkata: Delhi 259/5 in 50 overs (Yash Dhull 49, Nitish Rana 51, Ayush Badoni 91 n.o.) lost to Jharkhand 260/5 in 48.5 overs (Virat Singh 116 n.o., Kumar Kushagra 49).

Vidarbha 261/9 in 50 overs (Akshay Wadkar 69, Apoorv Wankhade 41) lost to Assam 262/3 in 47.3 overs (Kunal Saikia 65, Sibsankar Roy 46, Riyan Parag 55 n.o.).

Sikkim 117 in 46.2 overs (Sumit Singh 42) lost to Karnataka 121/4 in 24.4 overs (Mayank Agarwal 54 n.o., Nikin Jose 46 n.o.).

Rajasthan 390/4 in 50 overs (Abhijeet Tomar 77, Mahipal Lomror 57, Ashok Menaria 70, Aditya Garhwal 149 n.o.) bt Meghalaya 94 in 36.1 overs.

Group-C: At Bengaluru: Bihar 201 in 49.3 overs (Sakibul Gani 68, Sijomon Joseph 4/49) lost to Kerala 205/1 in 24.4 overs (Ponnan Rahul 83, Rohan Kunnummal 107 n.o.).

Haryana 258/7 in 50 overs (Yuvraj Singh 85) lost to Andhra 262/7 in 48.5 overs (Abhishek Reddy 46, Ricky Bhui 112 n.o., Karan Shinde 60).

Tamil Nadu 506/2 in 50 overs (Sai Sudharsan 154, N. Jagadeesan 277) bt Arunachal Pradesh 71 in 28.4 overs (M. Siddarth 5/12).

Group-D: At Mumbai: Odisha 251/7 in 50 overs (Kartik Biswal 107 n.o., Biplab Samantray 51) lost to Punjab 252/5 in 46.4 overs (Abhishek Sharma 41, Mandeep Singh 91 n.o., Prayash Singh 4/51).

Madhya Pradesh 424/3 in 50 overs (Yash Dubey 195 n.o., Himanshu Mantri 73, Shubham Sharma 43, Rajat Patidar 50) bt Nagaland 103 in 28.1 overs (Shubham Sharma 4/21).

Uttarakhand 109 in 29.1 overs (Dikshanshu Negi 50, Varun Aaron 4/37) lost to Baroda 110/4 in 21.3 overs.

Group-E: At Ranchi: Pondicherry 139 in 38 overs (Ankit Sharma 79 n.o.) lost to Mumbai 141/1 in 24.2 overs (Yashasvi Jaiswal 73 n.o.).

Bengal 426/4 in 50 overs (Sudip Kumar Gharami 162, Abhimanyu Easwaran 122, Shahbaz Ahmed 59) bt Services 379/9 in 50 overs (Shubham Rohilla 57, Anshul Gupta 51, Rajat Paliwal 65, Arjun Sharma 75, Devender Lochab 58, Shahbaz Ahmed 4/58).

Maharashtra 341/4 in 50 overs (Rahul Tripathi 107, Ankit Bawne 95, Azim Kazi 67) bt Mizoram 158/8 in 50 overs (Vicky Ostwal 4/29).

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Getting released by CSK was an eye-opener for me: Jagadeesan

Ashwin Achal
BENGALURU

Being released by IPL team Chennai Super Kings (CSK) ahead of the auction did not crush N. Jagadeesan's morale. On the contrary, it helped Jagadeesan rediscover his love for the game.

Jagadeesan is now in the form of his life, having struck four hundreds and a double century in his last five Vijay Hazare Trophy outings here.

Sage advice

After his record-breaking 277 against Arunachal Pradesh here on Monday, Jagadeesan spoke about some sage advice given by his CSK skipper M.S. Dhoni. "Getting released by CSK was an eye opener for me. At some point, you feel the pressure by focusing purely on runs, runs and runs. My main focus now is to just enjoy my game.

"This (advice) came from Dhoni. When I made my CSK debut, this was the only thing Dhoni told me - 'Make sure you enjoy your game'. For example, when I was playing under-13 cricket, I wasn't looking at playing for India or Tamil Nadu. It was just about the enjoyment I got from playing cricket," Jagadeesan said.

The opener credited Tamil Nadu assistant coach R. Prasanna for keeping him in a good mental space. "A lot of credit goes to Prasanna. He is also the coach of my league team. He was always there for me; he knew my mindset," Jagadeesan said.

Timely tips provided by Dinesh Karthik and Abhinav Mukund also went a long way. "Last year, Abhinav Mukund helped me a lot by speaking to me before the (2021 Vijay Hazare Trophy) quarterfinal against Karnataka.

Dinesh Karthik also speaks to me. Both Dinesh and Mukund motivate me and give me mental tips," Jagadeesan said.

On the prospect of gaining an IPL contract, Jagadeesan said, "When I got released by CSK, it was their choice, not mine. The only thing Ican control is the way I play. Whether I get picked or not, it does not matter. Even if I don't get picked, my mindset is that I will get a solid three months to improve my game and come back a better cricketer."

INBRIEF

Thalaivas ride on Narender's shoulders to best Warriors

Tamil Thalaivas defeated Bengal Warriors 35-30 in the Pro Kabaddi League in Hyderabad on Monday. Raider Narender scored 13 points for Thalaivas while Maninder Singh (15) went in vain for Warriors. Rohit Tomar's allround show helped U.P. Yoddhas beat Gujarat Giants 35-31.

Praggnanandhaa, Arjun finish joint-fifth; Carlsen triumphs

R. Praggnanandhaa beat Arjun Erigaisi 2.5-1.5 in the seventh and last round as the two Indians shared the fifth spot in the $210,000 Meltwater Champions Chess Tour Finals on Sunday. The teenagers collected $22,500 each. Magnus Carlsen, already assured of the title, maintained his all-win record by beating Jan-Krzysztof Duda 3-1 and received $50,000.

Final standings (after seven rounds): 1. Magnus Carlsen (Nor, 20 points, $50,000), 2. Wesley So (USA, 13, $32,500), 3. Liem Le Quang (Vie, 11, $27,500), 4. Jan-Krzysztof Duda (Pol, 10, $25000), 5-6. R. Praggnanandhaa, Arjun Erigaisi (9 each, $22,500 each), 7-8. Shakhriyar Mamedyarov (Aze, 6, $15,000) and Anish Giri (Ned, 6, $15,000).

Pugilists Devika and Preeti cruise into quarterfinals

India's Devika Ghorpade and Preeti Dahiya entered the quarterfinals of the IBA Youth men's and women's World Boxing Championships in La Nucia, Spain on Monday.

The results (pre-quarterfinals):
Women: 52kg: Devika Ghorpade bt Margaret Lambe (Irl); **57kg:** Preeti Dahiya bt Benedicta Maekinen (Fin); **66kg:** Mahak Sharma lost to Seidish Bakyt (Kaz).
Men: 71kg: Sahil Chauhan lost to Erkinboev Fazliddin (Uzb); **92kg:** Bharat Joon lost to Thomas Damar (Eng).

LIVE TELECAST

Australia vs England: 3rd ODI, Sony Sports Ten 5 (SD & HD) & LIV, 8.50 a.m.

New Zealand vs India: 3rd T20I, Prime Video, 12 p.m.

I-League: Eurosport (SD & HD), 2 p.m.

FIFA World Cup 2022: Sports 18-1 (SD & HD) & Jio Cinema App, 3.30, 6.30, 9.30 p.m. & 12.30 a.m. (Wednesday)

PKL: Star Sports 2 (SD & HD) & Hotstar, 7.30 p.m. onwards

Davis Cup Finals: Sony Sports Ten 2 (SD & HD) & LIV, 8.30 p.m. onwards

Mark My Day obliges in the feature event

HYDERABAD: Trainer K. Satheesh's ward Mark My Day (R.S. Jodha up) claimed the Sri Shamlal Gupta Memorial Cup (Div. I), the main event of the opening day's races held here on Monday (Nov. 21). The winner is owned by M.A.M. Ramaswamy Chettiar Of Chettinad Charitable Trust.

1. MEDAK PLATE (DIV. I) (1,400m) Maiden, 3-y-o and upward, rated 20 to 45 (Cat. III): **LA MIRAGE** (Suraj Narredu) 1, Ivanhoe (Surya Prakash) 2, Clefairy (Santosh Raj) 3 and N R I Fantasy (G. Naresh) 4. 4-1/4, Nk and 2-1/4. 1m, 26.47s. ₹12 (w), 11, 18 and 14 (p). SHP: 59, THP: 46, SHW: 11 and 21, FP: 55, Q: 59, Tanala: 140. Favourite: La Mirage. Owners: Mr. Srikanth Barduka, Mr. Bal Krishan Agarwal & Mr. P. Ranga Raju. Trainer: D. Netto.

2. GRACE HANOVER PLATE (1,200m), (Terms) Maiden, 2-y-o only (Cat. II): **PROUD MARY** (Kiran Naidu) 1, Bleue Dali (Akshay Kumar) 2, Truth (A.A. Vikrant) 3 and Voyager (Suraj Narredu) 4. Not run: Santa Barbara. 7-1/4, Shd and 3/4. 1m, 13.30s. ₹15 (w), 10, 10 and 19 (p). SHP: 23, THP: 51, SHW: 13 and 17, FP: 32, Q: 22, Tanala: 233. Favourite: Proud Mary. Owner: Mr. S. Pathy. Trainer: Laxman Singh.

3. HIDDEN BLOOM PLATE (1,600m), rated up to 25 (Cat. III): **AKASH** (A.A. Vikrant) 1, China Town (P. Ajeeth Kumar) 2, Silver Lining (Mukesh Kumar) 3 and AR Superior (G. Naresh) 4. 1m, 43.02s. ₹52 (w), 14, 17 and 16 (p). SHP: 54, THP: 54, SHW: 34 and 34, FP: 294, Q: 144, Tanala: 1,360. Favourite: My Way Or Highway. Owner: Mr. G. Krishnamohan Rao. Trainer: D. Netto.

4. SRI SHAMLAL GUPTA MEMORIAL CUP (DIV. II) (1,400m), 5-y-o and upward, rated 40 to 65 (Cat. II): **SHAZAM** (D.S. Deora) 1, DRD (P. Ajeeth Kumar) 2, Royal Grace (Mukesh Kumar) 3 and Mirana (R.S. Jodha) 4. 1-1/4, Nk and 1/2. 1m, 27.75s. ₹42 (w), 15, 54 and 14 (p). SHP: 157, THP: 78, SHW: 29 and 98, FP: 749, Q: 456, Tanala: 1,926. Favourite: Royal Grace. Owners: Mr. Rohit Gupta rep. Rolli Stud Dairy & Agri Farm. Trainer: Magan Singh.

5. CABARET PLATE (1,800m), rated 40 to 65 (Cat. II): **MYSTERIOUS ANGEL** (P. Ajeeth Kumar) 1, Campania (Afroz Khan) 2, Akido (Gaurav Singh) 3 and Pleroma (Akshay Kumar) 4. 1/2, 2 and 1-1/4. 1m, 56.80s. ₹29 (w), 10, 26 and 36 (p). SHP: 56, THP: 131, SHW: 24 and 29, FP: 221, Q: 192, Tanala: 2,036. Favourite: Pleroma. Owner: Mr. Kersi Homy Vachha. Trainer: L.V.R. Deshmukh.

6. HIMAYAT SAGAR CUP (DIV. I) (1,200m), rated 20 to 45 (Cat. III): **THE THUNDER** (Gaurav Singh) 1, Temptations (P. Ajeeth Kumar) 2, Bellagio (Mukesh Kumar) 3 and Blast In Class (Santosh Raj) 4. 3/4, 3-1/4 and Nose. 1m 12.89s. ₹40 (w), 17, 12 and 21 (p). SHP: 39, THP: 60, SHW: 19 and 11, FP: 97, Q: 35, Tanala: 372. Favourite: Temptations. Owner: Mr. B.E. Vasanth Kumar. Trainer: M. Srinivas Reddy.

7. HIMAYAT SAGAR CUP (DIV. II) (1,200m), rated 20 to 45 (Cat. III): **ONLY MY WAY** (Aneel) 1, Crimson Rose (Akshay Kumar) 2, Angel Tesoro (Antony Raj) 3 and Fatuma (P. Ajeeth Kumar) 4. Not run: Mr. Perfect. Hd, 2-3/4 and 1-1/4. 1m, 12.49s. ₹27 (w), 13, 10 and 15 (p). SHP: 35, THP: 51, SHW: 18 and 11, FP: 55, Q: 19, Tanala: 213. Favourite: Crimson Rose. Owner: Mr. Syed Mohiuddin Mufeed. Trainer: S. Sreekant.

8. SRI SHAMLAL GUPTA MEMORIAL CUP (DIV. I) (1,400m), 5-y-o and upward, rated 40 to 65: **MARK MY DAY** (R.S. Jodha) 1, Makhtoob (Gaurav Singh) 2, Sun Dancer (Afroz Khan) 3 and Chuckit (Santosh Raj) 4. 3/4, 2 and 3. 1m 26.56s. ₹28 (w), 12, 14 and 17 (p). SHP: 59, THP: 48, SHW: 17 and 20, FP: 92, Q: 74, Tanala: 292. Favourite: Mark My Day. Owner: M.A.M. Ramaswamy Chettiar Of Chettinad Charitable Trust. Trainer: K. Satheesh.

9. MEDAK PLATE (DIV. II) (1,400m) Maiden, 3-y-o and upward, rated 20 to 45 (Cat. III): **MISS SOLITAIRE** (A. Ashad Asbar) 1, Avancia (Suraj Narredu) 2, Acrobat (Surya Prakash) 3 and Pinatubo (Mukesh Kumar) 4. 1/2, Hd and 1-1/2. 1m, 27.66s. ₹19 (w), 12, 13 and 18 (p), SHP: 45, THP: 42, SHW: 15 and 19, FP: 38, Q: 26, Tanala: 82. Favourite: Miss Solitaire.

Owners: Mr. Zavaray S. Poonawalla, Mrs. Behroze Z. Poonawalla, Mr. Yohan Z. Poonawalla, Mrs. Michelle Y. Poonawalla, Ms. Delna Z. Poonawalla, Mrs. Simone Z. Poonawalla rep. Poonawalla Racing & Breeding Pvt. Ltd., Mr. Rishad N. Pandole & Mr. Chaduranga Kanthraj Urs. Trainer: M. Srinivas Reddy.

Jackpot: (i) 70%: ₹2,242 (60 tkts.) & 30%: 224 (257 tkts.); (ii) 70%: 3, 719 (123 tkts.) & 30%: 827 (237 tkts.).

Treble: (i) 195 (162 tkts.), (ii) 662 (73 tkts.), (iii) 473 (161 tkts.).

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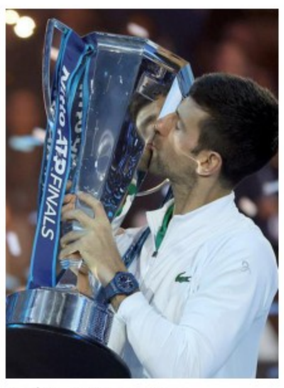

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Djokovic dumps Ruud for sixth ATP Finals crown

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Novak Djokovic beat Casper Ruud 7-5 6-3 to collect a record-equalling sixth ATP Finals title on Sunday, earning a record $4,740,300 for completing the season-ending tournament unbeaten.

Aizawl posts first win of the season

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AIZAWL

Aizawl FC registered its first win of this I-League season with a 2-1 win over Sudeva Delhi on Monday.

The results: Aizawl 2 (Lalchhawnkima, Matias Veron) bt Sudeva 1 (Seilenthang Lotjem); TRAU FC 3 (Nana Poku, Komron Tursunov 2) bt Kenkre 0.

KARNATAKA ROUND-UP

Karnataka girls win National sub-junior basketball crown

Karnataka edged Tamil Nadu 41-39 in the final to win the girls' title at the National sub-junior basketball championship in Kangra, Himachal Pradesh.

With the tie locked at 39-39 and just three seconds left for the buzzer, Shravani landed the winning basket to secure Karnataka its first ever gold medal in the sub-junior Nationals.

Champs: The triumphant Karnataka team. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Mohsin and Aashish help Karnataka rout HP

Mohsin Khan's match-haul of nine wickets and Aashish Mahesh's hundred (118) helped Karnataka defeat Himachal Pradesh by an innings and 103-run margin in the Cooch Behar Trophy under-19 tournament.

The scores: Himachal Pradesh 106 in 59.4 overs (Hardik Raj 3/44, Mohsin Khan 4/14) & 159 in 47.4 overs (Lokesh G. Chauhan 47, Piyush P. Sharma 36, Ganga G. Singh 25, Mohsin Khan 5/47, Hardik Raj 3/33) lost to Karnataka 368 in 83 overs (Vishal Onat 50, Vijayaraj 53, Dhruv Prabhakar 32, Yashovardhan Parantap 42, Aashish Mahesh 118, R. Dhanush Gowda 25, Piyush O. Thakur 6/136).

KSCA office-bearers, led by Raghuram Bhat, takes charge

BENGALURU: A new set of Karnataka State Cricket Association office-bearers, led by president Raghuram Bhat, took charge on Monday. They were elected to their posts unopposed on November 9 and will be at the helm for the next three years.

Assad hits ton

M. Assad scored a century (102) as Swastic Union CC (2) recorded a thumping 139-run win over Visweswarampuram CC (1) in the KSCA (Group I) under-14 inter-club tournament.

The scores: Cavaliers 58 in 38.5 overs (Gaurav Venkatesh 3/6) lost to Vultures 61/1 in 7.2 overs (N.P. Vivek 44 n.o.).

Chintamani SA 171/9 in 50 overs (S. Kishan 29, M. Tanshh Krishna 26) lost to Lions 172/4 in 47 overs (Ivan Malhotra 31, K.S. Samarth 25, R. Rohith Reddy 42 n.o., P. Rohit 26 n.o., M. Tanshh Krishna 3/37).

Mount Joy 242 in 46.3 overs (J. Kishan 90, Syaamantak Anirudh 36, Atharv S. Deshpande 34) bt FUCC (2) 137 in 43.2 overs (H. Chirag 38, Aaryansinh Chavda 36, Atharv S. Deshpande 3/34).

The Bangalore Cricketers 174/7 in 31 overs (Abhinav Kulkarni 43, A. Rishik 44) bt Social Cricketers 137 in 29.4 overs (T.L. Arya Pranesh 29, K. Vinay Kumar 48, M.D. Dharsh 3/26).

Swastic Union (2) 247/9 in 47 overs (Arya J. Gowda 48, M. Assad 102, K. Akhil 56, Supraket Das 5/44) bt Visweswarampuram (1) 108 in 36.2 overs (Ahan Kaushik 33, J. Sukruth 3/14).

Jolly Cricketers 195 in 49.4 overs (M.S. Kunal 53, Raghav Vyas 41) bt Malleswaram Gymkhana 70 in 26.4 overs.

Swastic Union (1) 90 in 32.3 overs bt Sir Syed Cricketers 89 in 39.3 overs (R. Uday Charan 4/11).

Hat-trick by Sibi

Sibi Abraham scored a hat-trick as Kodagu FC thrashed ADE FC 8-0 in the BDFA Super Division League football here on Monday.

The results: Kodagu FC 8 (Sibi Abraham 5, 66, 88, Ongda Lepcha 10, 45, Arun Lal 49, 74, Norem Nanao Meitei 82) bt ADE FC 0; FC Bengaluru United 4 (Md. Kdouh 6, 17, Irfan Yadwad 69, Shajan Franklin 81) bt Independents FC 1 (Mahin P. Hussain 73).

Ashou on song

C.H. Mohammed Ashou pumped in six goals as DPS East beat New Ashoka HC 13-0 in the KSHA C-Division League hockey here on Monday.

The results: DPS East 13 (C.H. Mohammed Ashou 6, 14, 22, 31, 45, 48, Sadiq 8, 10, E.C. Navas 17, 33, Tejas Reddy 18, Shahnul 43, Harshik Shamal 44) bt New Ashoka HC 0; Sahyadri HC, Shivamogga 4 (Suresh 8, 14, Gagan 16, G.H. Madhu 27) bt Germanite Hockey Academy 0.